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ALMANAC FOR THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 1886

BEING A COMMON YEAR OF 365 DAYS.

MOON'S SIGNS.				PLANETS AND ASPECTS.			
New Moon.	First Quarter.	Full Moon.	Last Quarter.	♄ Saturn. ♃ Jupiter.	♂ Mars. ☉ Sun.	♀ Venus. ☿ Mercury.	☽ Moon. ♅ Herschel.

☌ Conjunction, or planets in the same longitude. ☐ Quartile, when they are 90 degrees distant.
⊕ Sextile, when they are 60 degrees apart. △ Trine, when they are 120 degrees distant.
☍ Opposition, when they are 180 degrees distant.

CHRONOLOGICAL CYCLES.

Dominical Letter,	C	Solar Cycle,	19
Golden Number or Lunar Cycle,	6	Roman Indiction,	14
Epact,	25	Julian Period,	6599

The Jewish Era, with their 5647th year, commences 30th of September, 1886.
The Mohammedan Era, with their 1304th year, commences 30th of September, 1886.

MOVABLE FESTIVALS.

Septuagesima Sunday, Feb'y 21.	Palm Sunday, April 18.	Trinity Sunday, June 20.
Quinquagesima Sunday, March 7.	Easter Sunday, April 25.	Corpus Christi, June 24.
Shrove Tuesday, March 9.	Ascension or Holy Thurs., June 3.	1st Sunday in Advent, Nov. 28.
Ash Wednesday, March 10.	Whit Sunday or Pentecost, June 13	Sundays after Trinity are 22.

THE FOUR EMBER DAYS.

March 17. June 16. September 15. December 15.

THE FOUR SEASONS, OR CARDINAL POINTS.

Vernal Equinox,	Sun enters	♈	March 20th,	11 o'clock	10 minutes,	forenoon.
Summer Solstice,	" "	♋	June 21st,	8 "	15 "	morning.
Autumnal Equinox,	" "	♎	September 22d,	10 "	12 "	evening.
Winter Solstice,	" "	♑	December 21st,	4 "	20 "	evening.

(☿) Mercury is called the Governing Planet this year.

ECLIPSES FOR THE YEAR 1886.

There will be two Eclipses this year: both of the Sun.

I. The first is an Annular (or ring form) Eclipse of the Sun, March 5th, 5 o'clock 10 minutes evening. Only a very small portion will be visible, by time of sunset. Will be Annular in the Pacific Ocean on the Equator.

II. The second is a Total Eclipse of the Sun, August 29th, in the morning; visible only for a very short period by time of sunrise. Will be Total in the Atlantic Ocean on Western Africa.

Carefully calculated for the Meridian of Philadelphia, by L. J. Ibach, Newmanstown, Lebanon Co., Pa.

JANUARY, *1st Month, 31 Days.* 1886.

Weeks and Days.	Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h. m.	Moon's Place. s. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. fs. m.	Sun rises. h. m.	Sun sets. h. m.	HIGH WATER. Phila. h. m.
Friday	1 *New Year.*	1 Pet. 2: 12–19	3 8	♑ 13	☿ sets 8 20 ♒	4	7 23	4 37	10 24
Saturday	2 Martyrs H Scrip	Phil. 2: 1–11	3 50	♑ 25	♃ rises 11 35	4	7 23	4 37	11 20
1] *Sunday after New Year's.*		Matt. 2: 1–23; Isaiah 60: 1–6.			*Day's Length, 9 hours, 14 min.*				
Sunday	3 Gordius	John 1: 29–34	4 39	♑ 7	♄ gr. Hel. L. N. ☌ ☽ ☿	5	7 23	4 37	11 59
Monday	4 Titus	" 1: 38–51	5 24	♑ 20	♄ rises 10 20 evening	5	7 22	4 38	12 40
Tuesday	5 Simeon	" 2:	☽ sets	♒ 3	5th. Neptune south 11 40 ♋	6	7 22	4 38	1 24
Wednesday	6 *Epiphany.*	" 3:	6 49	♒ 16	7* south 8 34	6	7 21	4 39	2 10
Thursday	7 Widukind	" 4:	7 37	♒ 0	☽ in apo. Orion south 10 35	7	7 21	4 39	2 46
Friday	8 Severinus	" 5:	8 22	♒ 14	☿ gr. Elong. West	7	7 20	4 40	3 31
Saturday	9 Catharine Zell	" 6: 1–25	8 50	♒ 28	☌ ☽ ☿. ☿ sets 8 14	7	7 20	4 40	4 14
2] *1st Sunday after Epiphany.*		Luke 2: 41–52; Rom. 12: 1–5.			*Day's Length, 9 hours, 22 min.*				
Sunday	10 Paul of Thebes	John 6: 26–71	9 47	♓ 12	♃ rises 10 56	8	7 19	4 41	5 6
Monday	11 Fructuosus	" 7:	10 48	♓ 26	Neptune stationary.	8	7 19	4 41	5 42
Tuesday	12 Jean Chastellain	" 8: 1–20	11 12	♈ 10	♍ Spica rises 10 7	9	7 18	4 42	6 31
Wednesday	13 Hilary	" 8: 21–50	morn.	♈ 24	13th. ☿ greatest brilliancy	9	7 17	4 43	7 14
Thursday	14 Felix	" 9:	12 52	♉ 8	♄ rises 9 46	9	7 16	4 44	8 6
Friday	15 John de Laski	" 10: 1–21	1 15	♉ 22	Sirius south 10 48	10	7 15	4 45	8 48
Saturday	16 Geo. Spalatine	" 10: 22–42	2 10	♊ 6	♃ g. rises 10 30	10	7 14	4 46	9 40
3] *2d Sunday after Epiphany.*		John 2: 1–11; Rom. 12: 6–16.			*Day's Length, 9 hours, 32 min.*				
Sunday	17 Anthony	Mark 1: 1–20	3 8	♊ 20	☿ sets 7 56	10	7 14	4 46	10 34
Monday	18 John Blackader	" 1: 21–45	4 10	♋ 3	☌ ☽ ♄. ♄ so. 10 56 ♒	11	7 13	4 47	11 29
Tuesday	19 Heid. Cat. 1563	" 2:	5 11	♋ 17	☿ in ♍. ☉ enters ♒	11	7 12	4 48	12 27
Wednesday	20 Fabian	" 3: 1–19	☽ rises	♋ 0	20th. ☽ in Per. ♃ stationary.	11	7 11	4 49	1 26
Thursday	21 Agnes	" 3: 20–35	7 0	♋ 13	Aldebaran so. 8 14	12	7 10	4 50	2 10
Friday	22 Vincent	" 4:	8 5	♋ 26	Procyon south 11 12	12	7 9	4 51	3 4
Saturday	23 Isaiah	" 5: 6: 1–6	9 1	♌ 9	☌ ☽ ♄. ♄ rises 9 16	12	7 8	4 52	3 45
4] *3d Sunday after Epiphany.*		Matt. 8: 1–13; Rom. 12: 17–21.			*Day's Length, 9 hours. 44 min.*				
Sunday	24 Timothy	Mark 6: 7–29	9 57	♌ 21	☌ ☽ ♃. ♃ rises 9 50	12	7 8	4 52	4 32
Monday	25 *Paul's Convers'n.*	" 6: 30–56	11 31	♍ 3	☿ sets 7 40 ♌	13	7 7	4 53	5 16
Tuesday	26 Polycarp	" 7: 1–23	morn.	♍ 15	26th. ☿ stationary	13	7 6	4 54	6 6
Wednesday	27 Jno. Chrysostom	" 7: 24–37	12 48	♍ 27	7* south 6 52	13	7 5	3 55	6 42
Thursday	28 Charlemagne	" 8:	1 34	♎ 8	Arctur rises 10 10	13	7 4	4 56	7 31
Friday	29 Juventin	" 9:	2 20	♎ 20	♄ south 10 12	13	7 3	4 57	8 24
Saturday	30 Henry Miller	" 10: 1–31	3 9	♎ 2	☿ in Aphelion	14	7 2	4 58	9 21
5] *4th Sunday after Epiphany.*		Matt. 8: 23–37; Rom. 13: 1–7.			*Day's Length, 9 hours, 58 min.*				
Sunday	31 Hans Sachs	Matt. 3:	3 40	♎ 15	Sirius south 9 44	14	7 1	4 59	10 20

MOON'S PHASES

New Moon,	5th,	2	o'clock,	42	minutes, morning.
First Quarter,	13th,	7	"	23	" morning.
Full Moon,	20th,	2	"	43	" morning.
Last Quarter,	26th,	8	"	30	" evening.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, clear and cold; 3, 4, cloudy; 5, 6, snow; 7, 8, 9, changeable; 10, 11, 12, cold; 13, 14, 15, variable; 16, 17, 18, cloudy and cold; 19, 20, snow; 21, 22, 23, clear and cold; 24, 25, mild; 26, 27, cold; 28, 29, 30, coldest days; 31, variable.

NEW YEAR'S WISHES.

WHAT shall I wish thee?
Treasures of earth?
Songs in the springtime,
Pleasures or mirth?
Flowers on thy pathway,
Skies ever clear?—
Would this insure thee
A Happy New Year?

What shall I wish thee?
What can be found
Bringing the sunshine
All the year round?
Where is the treasure,
Lasting and dear,
That shall insure thee
A Happy New Year?

Faith that increaseth,
Walking in light!
Hope that aboundeth,
Happy and bright;
Love that is perfect,
Casting out fear,—
These shall insure thee
A Happy New Year.

Peace in the Saviour,
Rest at His feet,
Smile of His countenance
Radiant and sweet;
Joy in His presence,
Christ ever near,—
These will insure thee
A Happy New Year.

NEW YEAR.

NEW YEAR'S day opens the civil year, but it is also a Christian festival and refers to the circumcision of the child Jesus. Circumcision was the sign and seal of God's covenant, the door into the Jewish church. Baptism is used instead of this Jewish rite and is the door of the entrance into the Christian church.

"BY this shall all men know that ye are my disciples." By what? Not by singing, praying, almsgiving, fasting; not by style of dress, not by form of speech, not by secret signs, not by certain religious customs,—but by this sure and heavenly mark: "If ye have love one to another." This assures ourselves that we have passed from the death of sin to the life of grace (1 John 3: 14), and it will assure also others by its divine fruits.

EPIPHANY.

THIS holy day always comes on the sixth of January and celebrates the showing of Christ to the wise men or heathen, who, guided by a wonderful star, came from the far East to see the new-born King. This wonderful event in the infancy of Christ was to show that He was born not only for the Jews but for Gentiles, that is, for the whole world.

A DOUBLE WRONG.

A CHURCH member once said to her pastor: "When my afflictions came we did not attend the church as we ought, and we were ashamed to ask you to come to us in our trouble. We were not able to pay the pew-rent and we were ashamed to come." How much mischief we inflict upon our own souls and Christ's cause by false pride! The church lost her pew-rent, it is true; but this was her lightest loss. She lost the presence and helpfulness of two of her members, and they lost the joys of God's salvation. The humility that kept them away rested on the basis that one wrong compels another. The continued presence of those two members was of far more value to Christ than the twenty-five cents a week they had been paying. Their absence also involved a slander on the church. It could be justified only upon the assumption that the relation of church members to the church is one of money alone. There were in every moment of their absence a dozen members who would have been happier and better for the opportunity of paying that pew-rent for the sake of the presence of two worthy members, and their presence would have encouraged the pastor. It would have been continuous testimony to the world of the preciousness of the Christian religion.

THE DANGER.

IN our zeal for one particular department of church activity we are apt to lose sight of the claims and needs of others. Zealous for Foreign Missions, for instance, we may overlook or neglect Home Missions, Orphans' Homes, and Church Extension. This is the case too if we have zeal for the Orphans' Homes—the others suffer. Let us keep all in mind and do for them in work and alms as they stand in need. It is not right that we should draw from the others.

☞ THE shortest days are sometimes the longest, not because they are full of pain, but because they are crowded with good works. Even a moment, reckoned according to this measurement, may be longer than a day or a week.

FEBRUARY. *2d Month, 28 Days.* 1886.

Weeks and Days.		Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h.	m.	Moon's Place. s.	a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. fs. m.	Sun rises. h.	m.	Sun sets. h.	m.	HIGH WATER Phila. h.	m.
Monday	1	Ignatius	Matt. 4: 1–22	4	40	♑	28	Neptune stationary ♃	14	7	0	5	0	11	18
Tuesday	2	*Candle Mass*	" 4: 23-5: 1-12	5	30	♑	11	☌ ☽ ☿ . ♄ rises 8 30	14	6	59	5	1	12	15
Wednesday	3	Ansgar	" 5: 13–32	☽ sets		♑	26	3d. ☽ in apo	14	6	58	5	2	1	14
Thursday	4	Rhaban. Maurus	" 5: 32–48	6	28	♒	9	♃ rises 9 6	14	6	56	5	4	2	5
Friday	5	P. S. Spener	" 6:	7	7	♒	23	☌ ☽ ♀ . ♀ sets 7 10	14	6	55	5	5	2	42
Saturday	6	Amandus	" 7:	7	57	♒	7	♀ in Perihelion	14	6	54	5	6	3	34
6]		*5th Sunday after Epiphany.*	Matt. 13: 24–30; Col. 3: 12–17.					*Day's Length*, 10 *hours*, 14 *min.*							
Sunday	7	George Wagner	Matt. 8: 1–17	8	39	♒	21	♄ in Aphelion	14	6	53	5	7	4	25
Monday	8	Maria Andreæ	" 8: 17–34	9	25	♓	6	♌ ♄ south 9 30	14	6	52	5	8	5	15
Tuesday	9	John Hooper	" 9:	10	15	♓	20	Orion 8 18	14	6	51	5	9	6	6
Wednesday	10	F. C. Oetinger	" 10:	11	12	♈	4	Spica rises 10 16	15	6	50	5	10	6	47
Thursday	11	H. de St. Victor	" 11:	morn.		♈	19	11th. □ Neptune ☉	15	6	48	5	12	7	34
Friday	12	Lady Jane Grey	" 12:	12	18	♉	3	♀ sets 6 40	15	6	47	5	13	8	24
Saturday	13	C. F. Schwartz	" 13:	1	20	♉	16	♃ rises 8 30	14	6	46	5	14	9	10
7]		*6th Sunday after Epiphany.*	Matt. 17: 1–9; 1 John 3: 1–10.					*Day's Length*, 10 *hours*, 30 *min.*							
Sunday	14	Brun of Querfurt	Matt. 14:	2	24	♉	0	☌ ☽ ♄ . ♄ south 8 59 ♒	14	6	45	5	15	9	45
Monday	15	Jacob von Loh	" 15:	3	30	♉	13	♄ rises 7 59	14	6	43	5	17	10	19
Tuesday	16	Matth. Desübas	" 16:	4	33	♉	26	☽ in per. Sirius south 8 26	14	6	42	5	18	11	18
Wednesday	17	Simeon and Jesus	" 17:	5	39	♊	9	7* south 5 42	14	6	41	5	19	12	17
Thursday	18	Pat. Hamilton	" 18:	☽ rises		♊	22	18th. ☌ ♀ ☉ Inferior	14	6	40	5	20	1	18
Friday	19	Mesrob	" 19:	6	38	♋	5	☿ ☌ ♀ . ☿ gr. Hel. Lat S	14	6	39	5	21	2	58
Saturday	20	Sadoth	" 20: 1–10	7	37	♋	18	☌ ☽ ♄ . ♃ . ☉ enters ♓	14	6	38	5	22	2	41
8]		*Septuagesima Sunday.*	Matt. 20: 1–16; 1 Cor. 9: 24–37; 10: 1–5.					*Day's Length*, 10 *hours*, 48 *min.*							
Sunday	21	Mainrod	Luke 3:	8	35	♋	29	♉ ♃ rises 7 58	14	6	36	5	24	3	30
Monday	22	Washington B.	" 4:	9	32	♌	11	Antares rises 2 29	14	6	35	5	25	4	15
Tuesday	23	B. Ziegenbalg	" 5:	10	30	♌	23	♄ rises 7 30	14	6	33	5	27	4	56
Wednesday	24	Matthias	" 6: 1–19	11	29	♍	5	☿ ☌ ☉ Superior	14	6	32	5	28	5	41
Thursday	25	Casp. Olevianus	" 6: 20–49	morn.		♍	17	25th. ♄ south 8 10	13	6	31	5	29	6	21
Friday	26	Berthold Haller	" 7:	12	53	♍	23	Regulus south 10 8	13	6	30	5	30	6	59
Saturday	27	Martin Bucer	" 8:	1	47	♎	10	♀ gr. Hel. Lat. north	13	6	28	5	32	7	40
9]		*Sexagesima Sunday.*	Luke 8: 4–15; 2 Cor. 11: 19–33; 12: 1–9.					*Day's Length*, 11 *hours*, 6 *min.*							
Sunday	28	Jno. de Mon. Corv	Luke 9: 1–36	2	43	♎	23	Arctur rises 8 16 ♃	13	6	27	5	33	8	32

MOON'S PHASES.

New Moon,	3d,	10	o'clock,	15	minutes, evening.
First Quarter,	11th,	9	"	45	" evening.
Full Moon,	18th,	1	"	15	" afternoon.
Last Quarter,	25th,	12	"	11	" afternoon.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, 3, rain or snow; 4, 5, 6, variable; 7, 8, cloudy; 9, 10, cold; 11, 12, 13, mild; 14, 15, 16, cloudy and snow; 17, 18, changeable; 19, 20, 21, rain; 22, 23, northwest cold; 24, 25, clear; 26, 27, 28, mild.

♀ Venus is Evening Star until the 18th of February; then Morning Star until December 3d; then Evening Star until the end of the year.

FEBRUARY

OUR NEW MISSIONARY.

Our new missionary to Japan, Rev. William Edwin Hoy, was born near Mifflinburg, Union Co., Pa., June 4th, 1858; baptized September 12th, 1858, by Rev. Dr. J. C. Bucher, and confirmed January 24th, 1874, by Rev. Geo. E. Addams, both pastors at Mifflinburg, Pa. He graduated from Franklin and Marshall College at Lancaster, Pa., in 1882, and from the Theological Seminary at the same place in 1885. He was licensed by the West Susquehanna Classis at Williamsport, Pa., in May, 1885, and was ordained by the Eastern Synod at Mifflinburg, Pa., in October, 1885.

Rev. WILLIAM EDWIN HOY.

☞Would it not be well for all our congregations to join aloud in the use of the Apostles' Creed and the Lord's Prayer? The Creed is not just for children; indeed it was not first made for them. And the Lord's Prayer was given not to children but to adults; so they should now not be confined to children. Both are gradually coming more and more into congregational use in other churches, as acts of worship in which the people may and should take part as they do in singing.

Mark this: the audible, congregational use of the Lord's Prayer has never been a disputed question in our Church. Of course the act must not be an empty form, but the sincere expression of the heart, as all worship must be.

☞In 1875, Japan had only 53 periodicals of all kinds. Now it has 2.000. Is not this wonderful? It shows a growing interest in public matters and a great awakening of the people.

THE CHURCH PAPER.

The real live pastor feels the necessity of the church paper being widely circulated in his church and readily recognizes the good it does. The live member of the church will be willing and anxious for the weekly visits of the church paper and devour with avidity its contents. He is conversant with the doings of the church and can speak intelligently of its history and progress. The wonder is that so few pastors take an interest in the circulation of the paper in their charges. Let there be an awakening to the duty of each in this case and the results will be beyond the expectation of the most sanguine. Reader, if you are a member of the church, and especially an officer in it, and not a reader of the paper, you know not what you are depriving yourself of and how much you are standing in the way of your efficiency. Let this year date the beginning of your subscription for your church paper.

☞One rich lady in Rev. Dr. John Hall's Presbyterian congregation, New York, is reported to have given $69,500 for the payment of mortgages on several city churches and towards the building of three others. The Reformed Church does not have many that could afford to give such princely sums, but it has thousands of ordinary wealth, who, if they loved Christ and His Church with hearty sincerity, might easily and often give their hundreds and even few thousands without any self-denial, but to the great benefit of the Church and their own hearts.

☞Are you doing what you can for Missions—Home and Foreign?

MARCH, *3d Month, 31 Days.* 1886.

Weeks and Days.		Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h. m.	Moon's Place. s. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. fs. m.	Sun rises. h. m.	Sun sets. h. m.	HIGH WATER Phila. h. m.
Monday	1	Suidbert	Luke 9: 37–62	3 40	♑ 6	Spica rises 9 4 ☋	13	6 25	5 35	9 26
Tuesday	2	John Wesley	" 10:	4 27	♑ 20	☽ in apo. ♄ south 7 46	12	6 24	5 36	10 36
Wednesday	3	Balthilde	" 11:	5 4	♒ 3	♄ stationary ♂ ☽ ♀	12	6 23	5 37	11 43
Thursday	4	George Wishart	" 11: 37-12: 1-12	5 40	♒ 17	♀ rises 5 17	12	6 21	5 39	12 32
Friday	5	Thomas Aquinas	" 12: 13–59	☽ sets	♓ 1	5th. ♄ rises 7 0	12	6 20	5 40	1 16
Saturday	6	Fridolin	" 13: 1–21	6 4	♓ 15	☌ ☿ ☉. ♂ ☽ ☿.	11	6 19	5 41	1 56

10] *Quinquagesima Sunday.* Luke 18: 31–43; 1 Cor. 13: 1–13. *Day's Length, 11 hours, 24 min.*

Sunday	7	Perpetua	Luke 13: 22–35	7 24	♓ 0	♉ ♃ rises 7 1	11	6 18	5 42	2 44
Monday	8	Zach. Ursinus	" 14:	8 12	♓ 15	Sirius south 7 24	11	6 16	5 44	3 31
Tuesday	9	*Shrove Tuesday*	" 15:	9 2	♈ 0	♀ stationary	11	6 15	5 45	4 14
Wednesday	10	*Ash Wednesday*	" 16:	9 52	♈ 15	♄ south 11 54	10	6 14	5 46	4 47
Thursday	11	Wm. Hoseus	" 17: 1–19	10 46	♉ 0	Orion south 8 7	10	6 12	5 48	5 32
Friday	12	Greg. the Great	" 17: 20–37	11 39	♉ 13	13th. ♀ rises 4 50	10	6 11	5 49	6 17
Saturday	13	Rudericus	" 18: 1–30	morn.	♉ 27	☍ ☽ ♄. ♄ south 6 59 ♏	9	6 10	5 50	7 10

11] 1*st Sunday in Lent.* Matt. 4: 1–11; 2 Cor. 6: 1–10. *Day's Length, 11 hours, 44 min.*

Sunday	14	Matilda	Luke 18: 31-19: 1-28	1 22	♉ 10	♃ rises 6 32	9	6	8 5	52 8 15
Monday	15	Thos. Cranmer	" 19: 29-20: 1-18	2 13	♉ 23	☿ in Perihelion	9	6	7 5	53 9 19
Tuesday	16	Heribert	" 20: 19-21: 1-4	3 12	♊ 6	Wega rises 10 4	9	6	6 5	54 10 21
Wednesday	17	*Ember Day*	" 21: 5–35	4 9	♊ 19	♄ south 11 30	8	6	4 5	56 11 26
Thursday	18	Alexander	" 22: 1–30	5 9	♊ 13	☽ in Per. ♂ ☽ ♄	8	6	3 5	57 12 24
Friday	19	Mary & Martha	" 22: 31–71	☽ rises	♋ 13	19th. ♀ rises 4 26	8	6	2 5	58 1 17
Saturday	20	Ambrose of Sien.	" 23:	6 55	♋ 25	☍ ☽ ♃. ☉ enters ♈ D. & N. equal	7	6	0 6	0 2 8

12] 2*d Sunday in Lent.* Matt. 15: 21–38: 1 Thess. 4: 1–8. *Day's Length, 12 hours, 2 min.*

Sunday	21	Benedict	Mark 10: 32-52	7 45	♌ 7	☿ ♃ ☉. Spring commences	7	5	59 6	1 2 48
Monday	22	Nich. v. d. Flüe	" 11:	8 38	♌ 19	☊ ☿ gr Elong. E. ☿ sets 6 50	7	5	57 6	3 3 36
Tuesday	23	Wolfgang	" 12:	9 32	♍ 1	♄ □ ☉. ♀ rises 4 26	7	5	56 6	4 4 20
Wednesday	24	Florentius	" 13:	10 24	♍ 13	♃ south 11 59	6	5	55 6	5 5 11
Thursday	25	Ann. V. Mary	" 14: 1–54	11 15	♍ 25	♀ greatest brilliancy.	6	5	54 6	6 5 49
Friday	26	Lindger	" 14: 55; 15: 1-15	11 58	♎ 7	☌ ☓ ☉ ♄ sets 11 50	6	5	53 6	7 6 34
Saturday	27	Rupertus	" 15: 16-47	morn.	♎ 19	27th. ♁ south 11 8	5	5	52 6	8 7 15

13] 3*d Sunday in Lent.* Luke 11: 14–28; Eph. 5: 1–9. *Day's Length, 12 hours, 20 min.*

Sunday	28	John von Goch	Matt. 20: 17-33	1 43	♐ 1	Andromeda sets 7 38 ☋	5	5	50 6	10 7 56
Monday	29	Eustatius	" 21:	2 7	♐ 15	☿ stationary	5	5	49 6	11 8 41
Tuesday	30	John Heermann	" 22:	2 55	♐ 27	☽ in Apogee	5	5	48 6	12 9 32
Wednesday	31	Ernest the Pious	" 23:	3 40	♑ 10	☍ ☽ ♀. ♀ rises 3 58	4	5	46 6	14 10 16

MOON'S PHASES.

New Moon,	5th,	5	o'clock,	4	minutes, evening.
First Quarter,	13th,	8	"	17	" morning.
Full Moon,	19th,	11	"	36	" evening.
Last Quarter,	27th,	5	"	44	" morning.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, 3, variable; 4, 5, 6, rain; 7, 8, 9, mild; 10, 11, cold; 12, 13, 14, clear and cold; 15, 16, fair; 17, 18, 19, stormy; 20, 21, 22, north-west cold; 23, 24, 25, clear; 26, 27, cloudy; 28, 29, variable; 30, 31, rain.

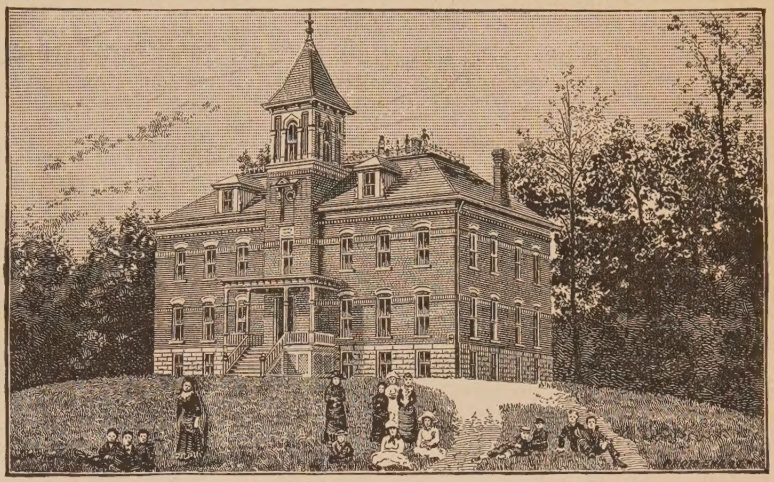
♁ Mars is in opposition with the Sun on the 6th, and shines all night.

♃ Jupiter is in opposition with the Sun on the 21st, and shines all night.

What Can the Minister Do?

He calls on one of his families. Most of the children are nearly or quite grown up. The parents seldom come to church; the children not at all, but go to the Sunday-school of another church. Of course the young people never come to catechization, but have their own notions about conversion and "joining the church." They know nothing about the Reformed Church, but only about a Reformed congregation here or there; because no Church paper visits this family and no Church books are on their table.

What can the pastor do in that family? Old habits are hard to break up, and children follow the steps of their parents. They do not care to talk about religion or Church matters. The silence is painful. The children leave the table and go out after the evening's work. A lovely kitten plays on the floor, and the yard is full of little chickens, and the green fields are ripening; but what shall the pastor say to these people about their souls, about preaching and catechization, about faithfulness to their vows, about an earnest family life? One point after another is mentioned, but the man shys off from it, as if afraid, and the pastor comes back to the subject but the man looks out of the window across the meadow as if he did not hear it. What can we do for such people?



REFORMED ORPHAN HOME, FORT WAYNE, INDIANA.
Rev. J. Rettig, Sup't.

☞A great many people imagine that heaven has no connection with earth, and that eternal life only begins at death. This is a fatal error. Heaven is not a fire-proof vault to save souls from the flames of hell. It is a land of pure delight where saints will reign with the Lord forevermore. Eternal life is a present possession to the believing soul. "He that hath the Son, hath life, and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life."

CROOKED STICKS.

"Lord, I can't make these sticks perfectly straight; I have lost all my strength. Send me to another field." But what is the answer of the Holy Spirit? "You were not sent to that field to take every crook out of those sticks; you can't perfect human nature, that is my work." Now there is something in every man—that is a little gnarly. It is peculiar to the individual—a streak of the old Adam inwrought in his individuality. In one it is stubbornness, in another suspiciousness, in another reserve, in another a disposition to be critical, or fault-finding or censorious. By whatever name it may be known, it is in fact a little twist of depravity, and no human influence, no preacher can untwist it and straighten it out. It is a peculiar twist of self, inborn, inbred, inwrought. So when I discover what a man's peculiar twist is, I say, "The Lord only can take that out of him, and I won't touch it if I can help it." I tried my hand at this once on a good Scotch brother, and I will never try it again. He was a most uncompromising subject, and I am quite convinced that if I had had a little more charity for his peculiarities he would have been a very useful man.—*Dr. Spinning.*

A WOMAN'S MEMORIAL.

Good deeds never die. They preach when the tongue is silent. The loving heart cannot always express its feelings in words. It must often resort to deeds. The considerate act of Mary became a monument, on which is written the Saviour's loving epitaph: "*She hath done what she could.*"

The Lord will reward every labor of love. Many people shirk one duty by setting up the claims of another. They cast the benevolent appeals for help into the same "waste" basket which the *Betrayer* made for all the acts of love. They lack both the grace to work for Christ and the common-sense to keep quiet. Who did most for the poor, Judas Iscariot or Mary of Bethany? Have *we* done what we *could?* Lord search us and try our hearts.

APRIL, *4th Month, 30 Days.* 1886.

Weeks and Days.	Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h.	Moon R & S m.	Moon's Place. s.	Moon's Place. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. sl. m.	Sun rises. h.	Sun rises. m.	Sun sets. h.	Sun sets. m.	HIGH WATER Phila h.	HIGH WATER Phila m.
Thursday	1 Fritigid	Matt. 24: 1–31	4	25	♋	24	Sirius sets 11 1 ☋	4	5	45	6	15	10	54
Friday	2 Theodosia	" 24: 32–51	5	5	♌	9	♄ sets 11 25	4	5	44	6	16	11	40
Saturday	3 Gerh. Tersteegen	" 25:	5	38	♌	23	♃ south 11 27	3	5	42	6	18	12	34

14] *4th Sunday in Lent.* John 6: 1–14; Gal. 4: 21–31. *Day's Length,* 12 *hours,* 38 *min.*

Sunday	4 Ambrose	Matt. 26: 1–13	☽ sets		♍	8	4th. ♂ ☿ ☽.	3	5	41	6	19	1	22
Monday	5 Christ. Scriver	" 26: 14–35	7	13	♍	23	♂ ☿ ☉ Inferior	3	5	40	6	20	2	10
Tuesday	6 Albert Durer	" 26: 36–56	7	52	♎	9	♉ ♀ rises 3 50	3	5	38	6	22	2	53
Wednesday	7 Olaus Peterson	" 26: 57; 27: 1, 2	8	33	♎	24	♄ south 10 29	2	5	37	6	23	4	42
Thursday	8 Mart. Chemnitz	" 27: 3–31	9	24	♏	8	♃ south 11 14	2	5	36	6	24	5	31
Friday	9 Thos. v. Westen	" 27: 32–50	10	19	♏	23	7* sets 9 10	2	5	35	6	25	6	13
Saturday	10 Fulbert	" 27: 51–56	11	11	♐	7	♂ ☽ ♄. ♄ sets 11 10 ♒	1	5	33	6	27	6	53

15] *5th Sunday in Lent.* John 8: 46–59; Heb. 9: 11–15. *Day's Length,* 12 *hours,* 56 *min.*

Sunday	11 Leo the Great	John 11:	morn.		♐	20	11th. Orion sets 10 56	1	5	32	6	28	7	44
Monday	12 Sabas	" 12:	12	57	♑	3	Aldebaran sets 10 4	1	5	31	6	29	8	35
Tuesday	13 Justin Martyn	" 13: 1–30	1	52	♑	16	Spica south 11 50	1	5	29	6	31	9	25
Wednesday	14 John Eccart	" 13: 31; 14:	2	20	♑	28	♂ ☽ ♄. ♄ south 9 59	Sun	5	28	6	32	10	12
Thursday	15 Simon Dach	" 15:	3	11	♒	11	☽ in Per. ♀ rises 3 34	fast	5	27	6	33	10	51
Friday	16 Peter Waldo	" 16:	4	5	♒	23	♂ ☽ ♃. ♃ south 11 1	0	5	26	6	34	11	42
Saturday	17 Mappalicus	" 17:	4	57	♓	5	Rigel sets 8 58	0	5	24	6	36	12	31

16] *Palm Sunday.* John 12: 1–16; Phil. 2: 5–11. *Day's Length,* 13 *hours,* 14 *min.*

Sunday	18 Luther at Worms	Lam. Jeremiah	☽ rises		♓	17	18th. ♄ stationary ♌	0	5	23	6	37	1	20
Monday	19 Melancthon	Heb. 8:	7	51	♈	0	♄ sets 10 59	1	5	22	6	38	2	12
Tuesday	20 John Bugenhag	" 9:	8	42	♈	12	Regulus south 8 9	1	5	21	6	39	2	54
Wednesday	21 Anselm of Cant.	" 10:	9	35	♈	26	☿ stationary. ☉ enters ♉	1	5	19	6	41	3	41
Thursday	22 *Maundy Thurs.*	John 6:	10	31	♉	8	♀ rises 3 20	1	5	18	6	42	4	30
Friday	23 *Good Friday*	Luke 23: 32–49	11	22	♉	20	♄ south 9 26	2	5	17	6	43	5	11
Saturday	24 Wilfrid	Heb. 4:	morn.		♊	2	Arctur south 12 1 ☋	2	5	16	6	44	5	55

17] *Easter Sunday.* John 20: 1–10; Col. 3: 1–11. *Day's Length,* 13 *hours,* 30 *min.*

Sunday	25 *Easter Sunday*	John 20: 1–18	12	49	♊	14	♃ south 10 34	2	5	15	6	45	6	42
Monday	26 *Easter Monday*	Luke 24: 1–12	1	46	♊	27	26th. ☽ in apo.	2	5	14	6	46	7	32
Tuesday	27 Otto Catelin	Acts 2: 22–47	2	8	♋	10	♄ sets 10 40	2	5	12	6	48	8	16
Wednesday	28 Fred. Myconius	1 Cor. 15:	2	51	♋	23	☿ in Aphelion	3	5	11	6	49	8	59
Thursday	29 L. von Berquin	Rom. 6:	3	28	♌	7	♀ gr. Elong. West	3	5	10	6	50	9	40
Friday	30 Geo. Calixtus	" 8:	3	58	♌	21	♂ ☽ ♀. ♀ rises 3 16	3	5	9	6	51	10	24

MOON'S PHASES.

New Moon,	4th,	9	o'clock,	30	minutes, morning.
First Quarter,	11th,	3	"	44	" afternoon.
Full Moon,	18th,	9	"	59	" morning.
Last Quarter,	26th,	12	"	15	" morning.

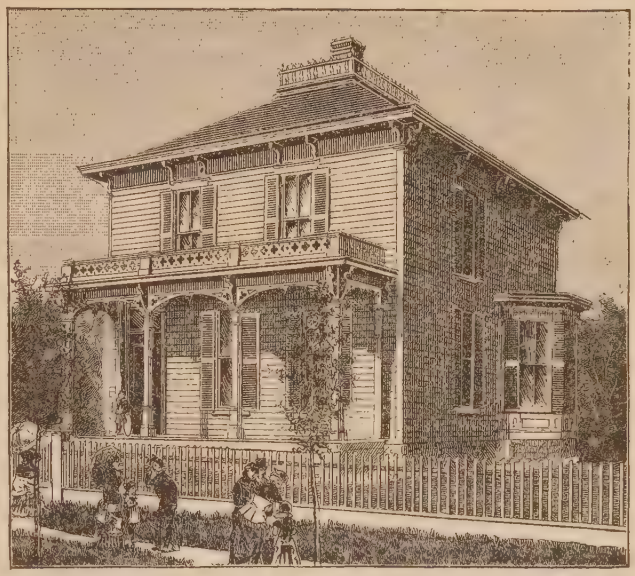
CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, pleasant; 3, 4, thunder showers; 5, 6, 7, clear; 8, 9, rain; 10, 11, 12, 13, clear; 14, 15, 16, variable; 17, 18, cloudy; 19, 20, 21, fair; 22, cloudy; 23, 24, fair; 25, 26, thunder showers; 27, 28, 29, clear; 30, thunder showers.

YE ARE THE SALT OF THE EARTH.

What salt is in its nature and uses (preserving and savoring), just this the purifying grace of God is to every soul, and just this every Christian soul is to the circle of its influence and power. Ten righteous men would have saved Sodom. Joseph was the salt of the earth to Egypt and the Hebrews. So Paul in the shattered ship saved the crew (Acts 27: 24, 43).

Every faithful Christian is the salt of the earth to those around him. And have we not here also a missionary fact? Is not the Church the salt of the earth? Must not this gracious power reach and preserve all nations? Oh that every Christian understood this and realized it! How much more missionary activity we would have! "Let your speech," your talk to God and man, in public and in private, in business and in social life, "be always seasoned with salt,"—not with the hotness of pepper, not with the bitterness of gall, not with the ugliness of hate and cruelty and unforgiveness,—but seasoned and savored with the salt of heavenly grace and truth and purity and meekness.



PARSONAGE OF THE REFORMED CHURCH AT EMPORIA, KANSAS.

This neat building was recently erected through moneys collected from the Churches in the East, by Rev. D. B. Shuey, now Superintendent of Missions in Kansas and adjacent States.

☞ The lines once found on a tombstone express a profound truth:

"What I earned I spent,
What I saved I lost,
What I gave I possess."

☞ "I don't like the minister!" That settles the matter. If you don't like the minister, you have no duties to perform. Not liking the minister absolves you from all responsibility. The fact that you "don't like the minister" releases you from your vows. If you are a trustee or steward you need not take any further interest in the financial affairs of the congregation. The fact that the people entrusted you with certain duties which you engaged to perform, is neither here nor there if you "don't like the minister."

AN OPPONENT TO CHEAP RELIGION.

In obedience to the Divine command, David came to Araunah the Jebusite, to buy the threshing-floor wherein to "rear an altar unto the Lord." The owner certainly had made it possible for the king to offer a cheap sacrifice for his grievous sin.

But David knew that that which costs us nothing is no *sacrifice*. He resolves to pay for it. The results justify the outlay for the offering. Behold! the avenging angel folds his wings, sheathes his sword, returns to God and the plague is stayed. All true worship, all real service, costs us something. The Christian life is a personal sacrifice. The time, labor, talents and money which we spend in the kingdom of grace are "treasures" laid up in heaven. Religion is cheap in comparison with sin. It costs more to be a bad sinner than a good saint. Solve this problem: How much do I spend for my body? How much do I spend for my soul? The answer will fill you with shame and astonishment.

A SAD SIGHT.

One of the saddest of sights, to an editor, is the church-member who does not take the church-paper. But almost as sad is it for him to happen into a store, perhaps, and see, lying on the counter with wrappers unbroken, sold for waste paper, and not a word of them ever read, a whole bundle of the papers upon which he has labored earnestly, diligently, prayerfully for the last three months! It is one of the things to which every editorial heart must become hardened. For it is one of the things that will happen in this world, so long as there are indifferent, ignorant and unworthy members in the Church.

☞ Every member of the Reformed Church should have a copy of the "Historic Manual," by Rev. J. H. Dubbs, D. D.

MAY, *5th Month, 31 Days.* 1886.

Weeks and Days.	Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h. m.	Moon's Place. s. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. fs. m.	Sun rises. h. m.	Sun sets. h. m.	HIGH WATER. Phila. h. m.
Saturday	1 Philip & James	1 Cor. 3:	4 38	6	☌ ☽ ☿ ♂. ♄ so. 9 0 ♋	3 5	8 6	52 11	23
18]	*1st Sunday after Easter.*	John 20: 19–30; 1 John 5: 4–10.			*Day's Length, 13 hours, 46 min.*				
Sunday	2 Athanasius	John 1:	5 0	21	♃ south 10 0	3 5	7 6	53 12	19
Monday	3 Monica	" 2:	☽ sets	6	3d. 7* sets 8 24	3 5	6 6	54 1	15
Tuesday	4 Florian	" 3:	8 4	21	Spica south 10 34	3 5	4 6	56 1	57
Wednesday	5 Fred. the Wise	" 4:	8 58	6	Orion sets 9 24	3 5	3 6	57 2	42
Thursday	6 John of Damasc.	" 5:	9 55	21	☿ gr. Elong. West	4 5	2 6	58 3	26
Friday	7 Otto the Great	" 6: 1–40	10 49	6	☌ ☽ ♄. ☿ rises 4 15 ♌	4 5	1 6	59 4	14
Saturday	8 Stanislaus	" 6: 41–71	11 45	20	♀ rises 3 4	4 5	0 7	0 4	57
19]	*2d Sunday after Easter.*	John 10: 11–16; 1 Peter 2: 20–25.			*Day's Length, 14 hours, 2 min.*				
Sunday	9 Greg. Nazianzen	John 7:	morn.	3	♄ sets 10 21	4 4	5 9 7	1 5	41
Monday	10 John Heuglin	" 8: 1–30	12 46	17	10th. ☽ in Per.	4 4	5 8 7	2 6	32
Tuesday	11 John Arndt	" 8: 31–59	1 36	29	Libra south 10 50	4 4	5 7 7	3 7	15
Wednesday	12 Meletius	" 9:	2 8	11	☌ ☽ ♄. ♄ south 8 30	4 4	5 7 7	4 7	56
Thursday	13 Servatius	" 10:	2 39	23	☌ ☽ ♃. ♃ south 9 13	4 4	5 5 7	5 9	0
Friday	14 Pachomius	" 11:	3 27	5	♌. ♀ rises 2 52	4 4	5 4 7	6 10	1
Saturday	15 Moses	" 12:	4 5	17	Arctur south 11 38	4 4	5 3 7	7 11	12
20]	*3d Sunday after Easter.*	John 16: 16–22; 1 Peter 2: 11–19.			*Day's Length, 14 hours, 16 min.*				
Sunday	16 Five Marts. at L.	John 13: 14:	4 40	29	☌ Neptune ☉	4 4	5 2 7	8 12	14
Monday	17 Joachim of Flor.	" 15:	☽ rises	11	17th. Sirius sets 8 6	4 4	5 2 7	8 1	16
Tuesday	18 80 Marts. under Val.	" 16: 17:	8 14	24	☿ gr. Hel. Lat. so.	4 4	5 1 7	9 2	6
Wednesday	19 Alcuin	" 18:	8 56	5	♄ sets 10 9	4 4	5 0 7	10 3	1
Thursday	20 Val. Herberger	" 19:	9 46	17	♀ rises 2 46	4 4	4 9 7	11 3	41
Friday	21 Constantine	" 20:	10 20	29	♄ south 7 59 ♋	4 4	4 8 7	12 4	30
Saturday	22 Castus & Aemil.	" 21:	10 49	12	☉ enters ♊	4 4	4 8 7	12 5	15
21]	*4th Sunday after Easter.*	John 16: 5–15; James 1: 16–21.			*Day's Length, 14 hours, 26 min.*				
Sunday	23 Jerome Savonar	Heb. 1: 2:	11 37	24	♃ stationary	4 4	4 7 7	13 5	55
Monday	24 Aug. Cazal.	" 3: 4:	morn.	7	☽ in apo. ♃ south 8 29	3 4	4 6 7	14 6	42
Tuesday	25 Augustine	" 5: 6:	12 11	20	25th. Wega so. 2 27	3 4	4 5 7	15 7	31
Wednesday	26 Beda Venerabilis	" 7:	12 46	3	♋ Rigel sets 7 20	3 4	4 4 7	16 8	14
Thursday	27 John Calvin	" 8:	1 22	16	♄ sets 9 50	3 4	4 3 7	17 8	53
Friday	28 Lanfranc	" 9:	1 55	1	♀ rises 2 30	3 4	4 3 7	17 9	42
Saturday	29 David Zeisberger	" 10:	2 37	15	☌ ☽ ♀. ♀ in Aphelion	3 4	4 2 7	18 10	24
22]	*5th Sunday after Easter.*	John 16: 23–33; James 1: 22–27.			*Day's Length, 14 hours, 38 min.*				
Sunday	30 Jerome of Prag.	Heb. 11:	3 17	0	Castor sets 11 8	3 4	4 1 7	19 11	14
Monday	31 Joach'm Neander,	" 12:	4 2	16	☌ Neptune ☿	3 4	4 1 7	19 11	52

MOON'S PHASES.

New Moon,	3d,	10	o'clock,	42	minutes, evening.
First Quarter,	13th,	9	"	20	" evening.
Full Moon,	17th,	8	"	47	" evening.
Last Quarter,	25th,	6	"	36	" evening.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, warm; 3, 4, showers; 5, 6, 7, mild; 8, 9, variable; 10, 11, fair; 12, 13, clear; 15, 16, cloudy; 17, 18, 19, fair; 20, 21, thunder showers; 22, 23, 24, variable; 25, 26, warm rain; 27, 28, 29, 30, fair; 31, thunder showers.

TABLE PRAYER.

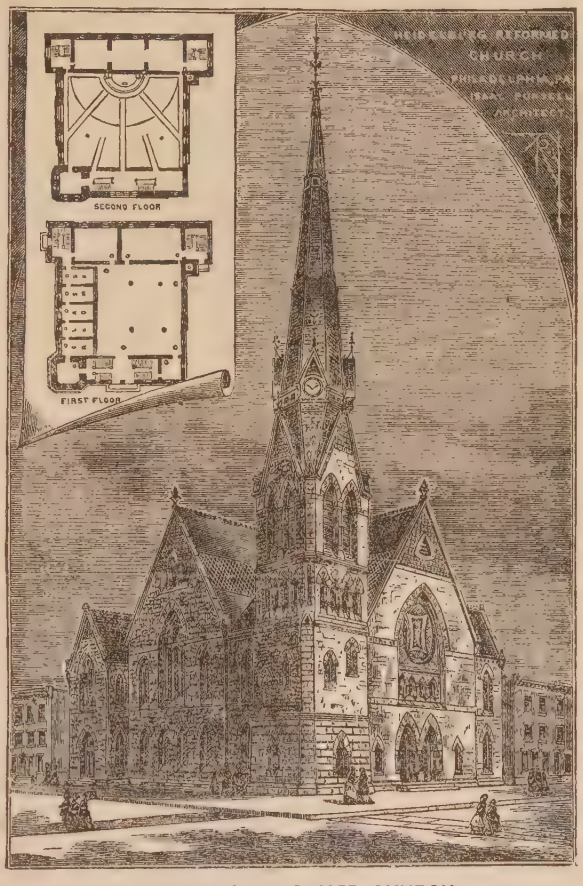
Why do so many members of the church eat without thanksgiving? Is not table prayer a plain Christian duty? Is it not easy to do? Can you not say, "God bless our daily bread"? When you want another form, can you not say: "We thank Thee for our daily bread, and pray Thee bless it to our use"? Are you a careless Christian, or are you ashamed to confess Christ in this way before men? Perhaps you think this a small matter, but it is not. Our Lord always gave thanks before eating. So did the early Christians; so should you and I do. It is one mark of a Christian family. You need not say you are none the less thankful, for thankfulness should make thanksgiving.

Neglect So Great Salvation?

Language does not contain enough adjectives to describe the man who neglects to sow his seed until the summer is past and the harvest has come. Are those people any wiser or better who put off the claims of God until the clock of Time strikes the knell of their parting day? They disregard the word of God. They neglect the means of grace. They despise the loving appeals from the sacred desk. It does not require great sins to destroy the soul. Simple neglect will do it as certainly as flagrant crimes.

Listen to the voice of Jesus calling: Enter the lifeboat of salvation, fasten the anchor of hope to the cable of faith, drop it within the vale, and you shall outride the storms of life and I will receive your soul at last. Grant us, O Lord, this salvation.

☞Are you and your family regular readers of the Church paper, "The Messenger?"



HEIDELBERG REFORMED CHURCH,
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THE SENSITIVE MAN.

The troublesome man in a church is not only the rudely, unfeelingly outspoken one, nor yet the chronic grumbler, the perpetual critic and fault-finder, nor yet the church-gossip and mischief-maker, though these are all troublesome enough, and equally unworthy of the name of true Christians. As bad as any of them is the man who is so morbidly self-conscious, who thinks so much of himself, and loves himself so inordinately well, as to apply every thoughtless remark, every word and deed that is at all capable of an unkind or inappreciative, or uncomplimentary interpretation, to himself. He is continually being offended, hurt, insulted. And once hurt, whether real or only in imagination, his personal grievance outweighs every other consideration. The good of the church, peace and harmony in the Father's family—these are as nothing compared with it. All these must suffer, so that his own personal grievance may be recognized and avenged. Yet such people say they love Christ and love His cause! It certainly is a strange way they have of showing it.

Some Things You Will Not be Sorry for Learning:

For hearing before judging.
For thinking before speaking.
For holding an angry tongue.
For stopping the ear to a tattler.
For being kind to the distressed.
For being patient to all.
For asking pardon for wrong.
For speaking evil of no man.
For being courteous to all.

JUNE, *6th Month, 30 Days.* 1886.

Weeks and Days.	Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h.	Moon R & S m.	Moon's Place. s.	Moon's Place. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. fs. m.	Sun rises. h.	Sun rises. m.	Sun sets. h.	Sun sets. m.	High Water Phila. h.	High Water Phila. m.
Tuesday	1 J. Fred. Oberlin	Heb. 13:	4	32	♈	0	☌ ☽ ☿. ♀ rises 2 24 ☋	2	4	40	7	20	12	40
Wednesday	2 Pothinus	John 14:	☽ sets		♈	15	2d. ♄ south 7 10	2	4	40	7	20	1	19
Thursday	3 *Ascension Day*	Col. 2:	8	57	♉	0	Arctur south 9 26 ☊	2	4	39	7	21	2	9
Friday	4 Corpus Christi	John 15:	9	51	♉	14	☌ ☽ ♄. ♄ sets 9 36	2	4	39	7	21	2	51
Saturday	5 Boniface	" 16:	10	37	♉	29	☽ in Per. ♃ sets 12 19	2	4	38	7	22	3	40

23] *6th Sunday after Easter.* John 15: 26–16; 1 Peter 4: 8–11. *Day's Length, 14 hours, 44 min.*

Sunday	6 Norbert	1 John 1:	11	18	♊	12	Antares sets 11 22	2	4	38	7	22	4	31
Monday	7 Paul Gerhardt	" 2:	11	57	♊	25	Regulus sets 11 41	1	4	37	7	23	5	12
Tuesday	8 A. H. Franke	" 3:	morn.		♋	8	☊. ♄ sets 11 59	1	4	37	7	23	5	54
Wednesday	9 Columba	" 4:	12	37	♋	20	9th. ☌ ☽ ♄ ♃.	1	4	37	7	23	6	41
Thursday	10 Fr'd. Barbarossa	" 5:	1	2	♌	2	☐ ♄ ☉. ♀ rises 2 20	1	4	36	7	24	7	40
Friday	11 Barnabas	Joel 3:	1	33	♌	14	☿ in Perihelion	1	4	36	7	24	8	39
Saturday	12 Renata	John 17:	2	5	♌	26	Neptune in Per.	0	4	36	7	24	9	38

24] *Whit Sunday or Pentecost.* John 14: 15–31; Acts 2: 1–11. *Day's Length, 14 hours, 48 min.*

Sunday	13 *Whit Sunday*	Gal. 3: 4: 1–7	2	37	♋	7	Pollux sets 9 57	0	4	36	7	24	10	30
Monday	14 *Whit Monday*	" 5:	3	8	♌	19	♃ sets 11 39	Sun	4	35	7	25	11	24
Tuesday	15 W. Wilberforce	Romans 12:	3	52	♌	1	♄ sets 8 50	sl'w	4	35	7	25	12	20
Wednesday	16 *Emberday*	1 Cor. 13:	☽ rises		♌	12	16th. ♁ sets 11 49	0	4	35	7	25	1	16
Thursday	17 John Tauler	Rom. 6: 19; 7:	8	40	♌	25	Wega south 12 54 ☋	1	4	35	7	25	1	59
Friday	18 Pamphilus	" 8:	9	26	♍	8	☐ ♃ ☉. ♀ rises 2 14	1	4	35	7	25	2	42
Saturday	19 Council at Nice	2 Cor. 5:	9	49	♍	21	Altair sets 11 54	1	4	35	7	25	3	31

25] *Trinity Sunday.* John 3: 1–15; Rev. 4: 1–11. *Day's Length, 14 hours, 50 min.*

Sunday	20 27 Martyrs	Acts 1: 2:	10	16	♍	3	☽ in apo. ☌ ☿ ♄.	1	4	35	7	25	4	16
Monday	21 Matt. Claudius	" 3:	10	59	♎	17	☉ enters ♋ Longest Day	1	4	34	7	26	5	6
Tuesday	22 Gottschalk	" 4:	11	23	♎	2	Summer Commences	2	4	35	7	25	5	49
Wednesday	23 Gottfried Arnold	" 5:	11	59	♎	17	♂. ♃ sets 11 22	2	4	35	7	25	6	34
Thursday	24 John Baptist	" 6:	morn.		♏	2	24th. ♁ sets 11 36	2	4	35	7	25	7	29
Friday	25 Augsburg Conf.	" 7:	12	15	♏	17	☐ ☍ ☉. ♄ sets 8 20	2	4	35	7	25	8	24
Saturday	26 J. Val. Andreæ	" 8:	12	58	♐	3	♀ rises 2 10	2	4	35	7	25	9	12

26] *1st Sunday after Trinity.* Luke 16: 19–21; 1 John 4: 7–21. *Day's Length, 14 hours, 50 min.*

Sunday	27 Seven Sleepers	1 Pet. 2: 1–10	1	12	♐	18	☌ ♀ Neptune	3	4	35	7	25	9	47
Monday	28 Irenæus	Acts 10:	1	58	♑	3	☌ ♁ ♃. ☌ ☽ ♀	3	4	35	7	25	10	40
Tuesday	29 Peter and Paul	" 11:	2	30	♑	18	Spica rises 12 10	3	4	36	7	24	11	30
Wednesday	30 Raymond Lully	" 12:	3	25	♒	3	♄ sets 8 1 ☊	4	4	36	7	24	12	25

MOON'S PHASES.

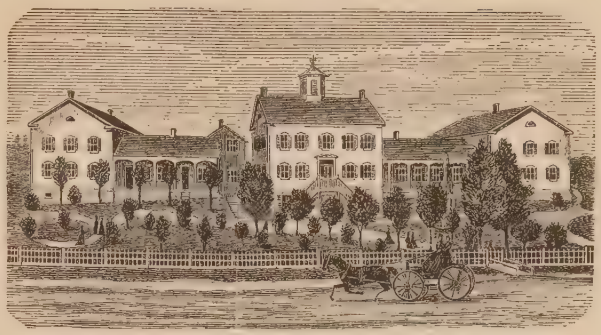
New Moon,	2d,	8	o'clock,	55	minutes,	morning.
First Quarter,	9th,	2	"	26	"	morning.
Full Moon,	16th,	8	"	38	"	morning.
Last Quarter,	24th,	11	"	35	"	evening.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, variable; 3, 4, 5, 6, fair; 7, 8, cloudy; 9, 10, variable; 11, 12, cloudy; 13, 14, fair; 15, 16, showers; 17, 18, 19, variable; 20, 21, 22, clear; 23, 24, showers; 25, 26, 27, warm; 28, 29, cloudy; 30, thunder showers.

PASTOR AND PEOPLE.

THE pastor is not "hired" by the year. He is not "hired" at all. When you employ a man to work for you, you are the master and he is servant. You tell him when, where and what to work, and order his whole course. Not so with the pastor. He is not at your bidding, but rather you are at his, in the Lord. He is over you, says the apostle (Heb. 13: 7, 17). So far as money is concerned, it is not so much pay for so much work, a fixed salary for a certain service. Paul speaks of it very differently.



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No, no. The relation of pastor and people is very sacred, not a financial contract, not a worldly partnership, but rather a marriage bond; something broader, deeper than any business tie. Pastor and people are wedded, bound together by most tender love, having one heart, one mind, one work. Therefore this union is clothed with all the sacredness and solemnity of classical installation —and of dissolution when necessary.

Every member, and especially every officer, in the Reformed Church should see and feel that pastor and people are one in the Lord, and therefore like husband and wife to live together in loving faithfulness to each other and to the Lord.

☞UNITED effort in and through the Church on the part of every one of its members is what the world needs to-day, is what God has blessed in the past and will bless in the days to come. Christians are all laborers together with God, but each one should have an abiding place in some particular field where God's work is being done—should always be in his place and doing heartily, as unto the Lord, his share of the work. True loyalty means staying at home, and forbids all roaming from Dan to Beersheba in the ecclesiastical world. As the duties of the pastor require him to be in his place and doing his work, so the members of the flock should be found regularly in their place, and by their presence, sympathy, prayers and labors, aid in the advancement of the Lord's work and in the upbuilding and the enlarging of his kingdom.—*The Presbyterian.*

☞THE Helps used in the Sunday-school should be those that are issued under the direction of the Church. It is a mistake to bring those in of another denomination. It is leading the young in ways the Church does not pursue.

BOYS THAT READ.

THE two boys were busy reading, when sister spoke up and said: "These two boys are called preacher and deacon at school."

Very well. They now already know much more than many that are older. After a while they will be known and respected as intelligent young men. Think of Mr. Blank. How does he come to know so much? Why do people ask his advice again and again? He never was in college. His education at school was not much. But when a young man he kept good company, read something every week that was worth reading, talked with people that knew more than he, and wisely used his spare time.

☞"A WELL-KNOWN clergyman," says the *Hartford Times*, "once preached a powerful sermon against the besetting sin of a violent temper. It was so potent, so pungent, so real that he was congratulated by several of his hearers, who expressed a kind of admiring surprise at such a searching and effective discourse on that subject. 'Why,' he replied, 'I did that out of my own personal experience. It was because I knew just where I was daily sinning myself, and in the worst way too, in that very direction, that I was able to make such a feeling sermon on that particular thing. If you believe me, I was not preaching at any of you, but at myself. I was trying to reform myself.'"

☞WE are not to train our children merely to be missionaries and ministers; not all are called to these offices; nor yet are we merely to select one and train that for the ministry, while the rest are trained for the world. We are to train all to the missionary spirit and the missionary work; to train all to feel that they are placed on earth, not to enjoy themselves only, not to acquire property and honor, not to get a living, but to serve God and do good; that to this end all other pursuits must be made subservient, all needful labor and self-denial endured. There are a few in almost every church who, when removed, are missed and mourned by the whole church, scarcely knowing how to get along without their efforts or their prayers. But there are too many who can easily be spared. Parents should aim to train their children so to be *pillars* in the temple of God that their removal shall be a manifest breach upon the church.

JULY, *7th Month, 31 Days.* 1886.

Weeks and Days.	Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h. m.	Moon's Place. s. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. sl. m.	Sun rises. h. m.	Sun sets. h. m.	HIGH WATER Phila. h. m.
Thursday 1	H. Voes	1 Pet 2: 11; 3: 1-17	☽ sets	♐ 18	1st. ♂ ☽ ♄. ♋	3 4	3 6	7 24	1 17
Friday 2	Visit Vir. Mary	" 3: 18; 4: 16	8 41	♑ 2	☉ in Apogee	4 4	3 7	7 23	1 54
Saturday 3	Otto Bishop	" 4: 17-5:	9 26	♑ 17	☽ in Per. ♂ ☽ ☿. ♂ ♄ ☉	4 4	3 7	7 23	2 42
27] *2d Sunday after Trinity.*		Luke 14: 16–24; 1 John 3: 13–24.			*Day's Length, 14 hours, 46 min.*				
Sunday 4	*Independence*	Luke 14: 16–24	9 57	♒ 3	♀ rises 2 7	4 4	3 7	7 23	3 26
Monday 5	Lord Cobham	2 Pet. 1: 12; 2: 3	10 35	♒ 17	♃ sets 11 1	4 4	3 8	7 22	4 11
Tuesday 6	John Huss	James 2:	11 4	♒ 29	♌. Regulus sets 6 40	4 4	3 8	7 22	4 51
Wednesday 7	Willibald	" 3:	11 34	♓ 11	♂ ☽ ♃. ♄. ♄ sets 11 14	5 4	3 8	7 22	5 40
Thursday 8	Kilian	" 4:	morn.	♓ 23	8th. ♃ gr. Ecl. Lat. Nth	5 4	3 9	7 21	6 38
Friday 9	Ephraim the Syr.	" 5:	12 38	♈ 4	♂ ♄ □. Wega south. 11 14	5 4	3 9	7 21	7 36
Saturday 10	Wm. of Orange	Jude	1 10	♈ 16	Antares south 9 4	5 4	4 0	7 20	8 29
28] *3d Sunday after Trinity.*		Luke 15: 1–10; 1 Pet. 5: 6–11.			*Day's Length, 14 hours, 40 min.*				
Sunday 11	Placidus	Acts 13:	1 45	♉ 26	Arctur sets 1 58	5 4	4 0	7 20	9 20
Monday 12	Henry II.	" 13: 1–12	2 29	♉ 10	♀ rises 2 10	5 4	4 1	7 19	10 18
Tuesday 13	Eugenius	" 14: 13–52	3 21	♉ 22	Spica sets 11 12	5 4	4 1	7 19	11 17
Wednesday 14	Bonaventura	" 15:	4 10	♊ 4	Altair south 12 10 ♎	5 4	4 2	7 18	12 16
Thursday 15	Answer	" 16:	☽ rises	♊ 17	15th. ♃ sets 10 29	6 4	4 3	7 17	1 15
Friday 16	Anna Askow	" 17:	8 4	♊ 0	♄ sets 10 46	6 4	4 3	7 17	2 4
Saturday 17	Speratus & 11 co.	" 17: 15; 18: 11	8 45	♋ 13	Regulus sets 8 9	6 4	4 4	7 16	2 47
29] *4th Sunday after Trinity.*		Luke 6: 36–42; Rom. 8: 18–23.			*Day's Length, 14 hours, 30 min.*				
Sunday 18	Arnulf	1 Thess. 1:	9 25	♋ 26	♀ rises 2 22	6 4	4 5	7 15	3 30
Monday 19	Louisa Henrietta	" 2: 1-16:	9 57	♌ 10	☽ in Apo. ☿ gr. Elon. E.	6 4	4 5	7 15	4 15
Tuesday 20	John Marteilh	" 2: 17; 3:	10 35	♌ 24	♍ ☿ sets 8 0	6 4	4 6	7 14	5 54
Wednesday 21	Eberhard	" 4:	10 58	♍ 8	Dog days commence	6 4	4 7	7 13	6 41
Thursday 22	Mary Magdalen	" 5:	11 26	♍ 22	7* rises 12 7	6 4	4 8	7 12	7 32
Friday 23	Godfr. v. Hamele	2 " 1: 2: 12	11 57	♎ 6	☉ enters ♌	6 4	4 9	7 11	8 16
Saturday 24	Thos. A. Kempis	" 2: 13; 3:	morn.	♎ 20	24th. ♃ sets 9 55	6 4	5 0	7 10	8 58
30] *5th Sunday after Trinity.*		Luke 5: 1–11; 1 Pet. 3: 8–15.			*Day's Length, 14 hours, 20 min.*				
Sunday 25	St. James	Gala. 1: 1–10	12 37	♏ 5	☿ in Aphelion	6 4	5 0	7 10	9 43
Monday 26	Christopher	Acts 18: 12; 19: 1-10	1 19	♏ 19	♄ sets 10 26	6 4	5 1	7 9	10 23
Tuesday 27	Raym. Palmarius	Gala. 1: 11; 2: 1-14	2 14	♐ 3	Pollux sets 8 11 ♋	6 4	5 2	7 8	11 6
Wednesday 28	Jno. Seb. Bach	" 2: 15; 3: 1-14	3 10	♐ 17	♂ ☽ ☿. ♀ rises 2 30	6 4	5 3	7 7	11 47
Thursday 29	Olaus	" 3: 15	4 0	♑ 1	♂ ☽ ♄. ♄ rises 4 1	6 4	5 4	7 6	12 21
Friday 30	John Wessel	" 4:	4 40	♑ 15	Aldeb. rises 12 54	6 4	5 5	7 5	12 50
Saturday 31	Jno. Cas. Schade	" 5: 6:	☽ sets	♑ 28	31st. Altair south 11 2	6 4	5 6	7 4	1 22

MOON'S PHASES.

New Moon,	1st,	5	o'clock,	6	minutes, afternoon.
First Quarter,	8th,	8	"	18	" morning.
Full Moon,	15th,	10	"	8	" evening.
Last Quarter,	24th,	2	"	21	" morning.
New Moon,	31st,	12	"	25	" morning.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, 3, fair; 4, rain; 5, 6, 7, warm; 8, 9, stormy; 10, 11, cloudy; 12, 13, 14, clear; 15, 16, 17, cloudy; 18, 19, fair; 20, 21, showers; 22, 23, 24, clear; 25, 26, 27, variable; 28, 29, 30, warmest days; 31, clear.

☿ Saturn is in conjunction with the Sun on the 3d and cannot be seen.

Why do Elders not Speak?

Elders are sent by the Consistory to the Classis, and by the Classis to the Synod. They are sent there to take part with the pastors in managing the interests of the whole Church (not just their own little apportionments and local affairs). For the most part they are men of age, experience and good judgment. They are the very men who should take a leading part in much of the business of the Classis and Synod; but they seldom speak in public. They listen to all that is said, and do much thinking over matters, and often differ from what is said, and even object to the action that is taken; *but they say nothing in the body.*

Have they done their duty? Have they a clear conscience in the case? Have we not lost the benefit of their judgment? Often they do not even vote, because they do not favor the action and yet they do not like openly to vote against it. Is this right? Sometimes just a few words from some quiet elder changes the whole appearance of a question, because he speaks from an experience which no other has had. Brethren, speak out. Your words have weight, even if they are few.

ST. PAUL'S ORPHANS' HOME, BUTLER, PA.
Rev. P. C. Prugh, Supt.

This Home has recently been improved by the addition of a mansard roof. It is a beautiful and comfortable home for the orphans of the Church.

☞Two laborers were trying to place a stone in position on the foundation wall of a new building. A crowd was standing around, looking on, and each one offering his criticism and counsel freely and loudly, but not one lifting so much as a finger to help. "That reminds me of Church-work," said a passer-by to another. "Why?" "Because," was the reply, "two men are doing the work, and twenty are doing the talking!"

Moral: Work—or be still.—*The Moravian.*

MEDITATION IN THE HOUSE OF GOD.

The house of God is a place for singing, praying, almsgiving, the hearing of the word, the enjoyment of the holy sacraments, for all the common and special services of the Church; but it is also a place for pious meditation. "We have thought of Thy loving-kindness, O God, in the midst of Thy temple."

There we are free from care. All our surroundings call us to reflection. Pews and pulpit, altar and choir, hymns and scriptures, all have a solemn voice.

For this reason we should go to church early, as many good people do, not to see our neighbors and get the news, not to stand out front with idle tongue, not to walk aimlessly about the building—but for meditation. "My feet shall stand *within* thy gates, oh Jerusalem."

We have much to think about in God's house, things past and present, friends long gone, our own baptism, catechization, confirmation and manner of life, but especially should we think of the mercy of God toward us and toward all men, what David so often with pious emphasis calls "the *loving*-kindness" of God.

Such a habit gives us a deeper insight into the word of God, awakens holy longings, fills us with cheerful hopes, calls out thoughtfulness and thankfulness, prepares us for devout worship and sends us home stronger in grace and more heavenly-minded.

NEWSPAPERS OF THE WORLD.

A French journal says that the whole number of newspapers in the world is 34,274—producing 160,000,000 of copies each year. This is nearly six and a quarter copies for every inhabitant of the globe! These numerous journals are distributed as follows: 19,557 appear in Europe; 12,400 in North America; 775 in Asia; 699 in South America; 661 in Australia; 132 in Africa. The English language is employed in 16,500 periodical publications; 7,800 are printed in German; 3,850 in French; 1,800 in Spanish. There are 4,020 daily journals; 18,274 weekly; and 8,508 appearing at longer intervals.

AUGUST, *8th Month, 31 Days.* 1886.

Weeks and Days.	Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h. m.	Moon's Place. s. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. sl. m.	Sun rises. h. m.	Sun sets. h. m.	HIGH WATER Phila. h. m.
31] *6th Sunday after Trinity.*		Matt. 5: 20–26; Rom. 6: 3–11.			*Day's Length, 14 hours, 6 min.*				
Sunday	1 Maccabees	1 Cor. 1:	8 25	11	☽ in Per. ☿ stationary. ♂ ☽ ☿ ♋	6	4 57	7 3	1 58
Monday	2 Mar. under Nero	" 2:	8 56	24	☊. ♀ rises 2 28	6	4 58	7 2	2 41
Tuesday	3 Wm. Thorp	" 3: 4: 1–4	9 28	6	♂ ☽ ♃. ♃ sets 9 15	6	4 59	7 1	3 22
Wednesday	4 Leonard Küser	" 4:5; 5: 1–8	9 58	18	♂ ☽ ♄. ♄ sets 9 59	6	5 0	7 0	4 12
Thursday	5 Salzb'g Evang.	" 5: 9; 6:	10 27	0	Sirius rises 4 36	6	5 1	6 59	4 52
Friday	6 Transfiguration	" 7:	11 0	12	6th. ♄ rises 3 41	6	5 2	6 58	5 40
Saturday	7 Nonna	" 8: 9:	11 36	24	7* rises 11 16	6	5 3	6 57	6 41
32] *7th Sunday after Trinity.*		Mark 8: 1–9; Rom. 6: 19–23.			*Day's Length, 13 hours, 52 min.*				
Sunday	8 Hormisdas	1 Cor. 10: 11–1	morn.	6	♂ ♀ ♄. Rigel rises 1 28	5	5 4	6 56	7 40
Monday	9 Numidicus	" 11: 2	12 15	18	Regulus sets 7 29	5	5 5	6 55	8 39
Tuesday	10 Laurentius	" 12: 1–30	12 57	0	♀ rises 2 38 ♍	5	5 6	6 54	9 30
Wednesday	11 Greg. of Utrecht	" 12: 31; 13	1 47	13	Orion rises 2 0	5	5 7	6 53	10 24
Thursday	12 An. of Havelb'g	" 14:	2 43	26	♄ sets 9 41	5	5 8	6 52	11 21
Friday	13 C'nt. Zinzendorf	" 15: 1; 34	3 41	9	♃ sets 8 35	5	5 9	6 51	12 19
Saturday	14 James Guthrie	" 15: 35; 16	☽ rises	23	14th. ☿ gr. Hel. Lat. S.	5	5 10	6 50	1 17
33] *8th Sunday after Trinity.*		Matt. 7: 15–21; Rom. 8: 12–17.			*Day's Length, 13 hours, 38 min.*				
Sunday	15 Virgin Mary	Acts 19: 11; 20: 1	7 46	6	☽ in apo. ♉	4	5 11	6 49	2 7
Monday	16 John of Saxony	2 Cor. 1: 1–22	8 10	20	♂ ☿ ☉ Inferior. ♂ ♃ ♓	4	5 12	6 48	2 55
Tuesday	17 John Gerhard	" 1: 23; 2:	8 49	4	♄ rises 3 16	4	5 14	6 46	3 41
Wednesday	18 Hugo Grotius	" 3: 4: 1–6	9 48	19	♀ rises 2 50	4	5 15	6 45	4 29
Thursday	19 Sebaldus	" 4: 7; 5: 10	10 18	3	Wega south 8 38	4	5 16	6 44	5 19
Friday	20 Bernard of Clair	" 5: 11; 6: 7: 1	10 48	18	♊ Neptune ☉	3	5 17	6 43	5 59
Saturday	21 1st Morv. Miss.	" 7: 2	11 23	1	♃ sets 8 8	3	5 18	6 42	6 42
34] *9th Sunday after Trinity.*		Luke 16: 1–9; 1 Cor. 10: 1–13.			*Day's Length, 13 hours, 22 min.*				
Sunday	22 Symphorianus	2 Cor. 8:	morn.	15	22d. ♃ in Aphelion	3	5 19	6 41	7 22
Monday	23 Gasp. de Coligne	" 9:	12 9	29	☉ enters ♎ ♋	3	5 21	6 39	8 10
Tuesday	24 Bartholomew	" 10:	1 5	13	♄ sets 9 19	2	5 22	6 38	8 54
Wednesday	25 Louis IX.	" 11:	2 1	27	☿ stationary	2	5 23	6 37	9 41
Thursday	26 Ulfilas	" 12: 1–18	3 0	10	♂ ☽ ♄. ♄ rises 2 56	1	5 24	6 36	10 30
Friday	27 Jovinian	" 12: 19; 13:	3 59	23	♂ ☽ ♀. ♀ rises 3 12	1	5 25	6 35	11 26
Saturday	28 Aug. of Hippo	Acts 20: 1–13	4 43	7	☊. Orion rises 1 5	1	5 27	6 33	12 23
35] *10th Sunday after Trinity.*		Luke 19: 41–47; 1 Cor. 12: 1–11.			*Day's Length, 13 hours, 4 min.*				
Sunday	29 John Bapt. B'd	Rom. 1: 1–17	☽ sets	20	29th. ☽ in Per.	1	5 28	6 32	1 21
Monday	30 Claud. of Turin	" 1: 18–31	7 28	2	♃ sets 7 50	0	5 29	6 31	1 55
Tuesday	31 Aidan	" 2:	8 0	14	♂ ☽ ♃. Neptune stationary	0	5 31	6 29	2 42

MOON'S PHASES.

First Quarter,	6th,	4 o'clock,	6 minutes,	afternoon.
Full Moon,	14th,	1 "	24 "	afternoon.
Last Quarter,	22d,	2 "	41 "	afternoon.
New Moon,	29th,	7 "	54 "	morning.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, 3, changeable; 4, 5, rain; 6, 7, variable; 8, 9, 10, clear; 11, 12, cloudy; 13, 14, fair; 15, 16, rain; 17, 18, fair; 19, 20, 21, rain; 22, 23, warm; 24, 25, showers; 26, 27, fair; 28, 29, 30, warm; 31, showers.

HARVEST-HOME.

The beautiful custom of annual Harvest-Home services is not of modern origin. It began with the ancient people of God who brought the "first fruits" of the earth and laid them on the altar as an offering unto the Lord.

This festival is held in sacred esteem by our people. It is a day of special gladness to those who till the soil and gather the fruit of their toil. It is no less a season of thanksgiving to all people.

God has been very kind and good to us. How can we store the ripe grain without grateful hearts to Him who crowneth the year with His goodness? How can we enjoy the precious increase of the earth, without liberal gifts to the Father of mercies?

If you don't get along well, do not blame the Lord. If business shrinks and panics crush, let us first inquire, did not our liberality shrivel?

The bulk of the Harvest-Home collections consists of *copper* pennies. The Bible tells us that "the *silver* and *gold* belong to the Lord." Why, then, withhold it from Him who giveth us richly to enjoy all things?

TRINITY REFORMED CHAPEL, FREDERICK, MD.

REV. E. R. ESCHBACH, D.D., PASTOR.

☞LIFE force may go into words or it may go into deeds. The power of steam may expend itself through the cylinder or through the whistle. Steady living, under the sweet pressure of genuine love for God, is vastly more eloquent than the most rhetorically sweet sounding declarations by the human voice. There may be a religion without words; there can be none without deeds.

☞He that will not permit his wealth to do any good to others while he is alive, prevents it from doing any good to himself when he is dead; and by an egotism that is suicidal and has a double edge cuts himself off from the truest pleasure, and the highest happiness hereafter.—*Colton.*

☞REMEMBER the present moment comes to you as the moment of God. Use it for His glory, and every succeeding moment, for which we must render account to God. May God be all in all to us in every passing moment, now and forever!—*Madame Guyon.*

☞REMEMBER the cause of the orphans! Beautiful houses: Bethany at Womelsdorf, Pa., St. Paul's at Butler, Pa., the Reformed at Fort Wayne, Ind., have been provided for them. These deserve the support of the Church. They do more good for the Church than can be calculated. The Church cannot let them want.

SEPTEMBER, *9th Month, 30 Days.* 1886.

Weeks and Days.	Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h.	Moon R & S m.	Moon's Place. s.	Moon's Place. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. fs. m.	Sun rises. h.	Sun rises. m.	Sun sets. h.	Sun sets. m.	High Water. Phila. h.	High Water. Phila. m.
Wednesday	1 Hanna	Rom. 3:	8	40	♋	26	Dog Days End ♒	0	5	32	6	28	3	19
Thursday	2 Mamas	" 4:	9	13	♋	8	☿ gr. Elong. W. ♂ ☽ ♄	0	5	33	6	27	4	9
Friday	3 Hildegarde	" 5: 1–11	9	45	♋	20	☿ rises 4 39	1	5	34	6	26	4	55
Saturday	4 Ida	" 5: 12–21	10	25	♌	2	♀ rises 3 36	1	5	36	6	24	5	42

36] *11th Sunday after Trinity.* Luke 18: 9–14; 1 Cor. 15: 1–11. *Day's Length, 12 hours, 46 min.*

Sunday	5 John Mollio	Rom. 6:	11	8	♌	15	5th. ♄ sets 8 59	1	5	37	6	23	6	27
Monday	6 Martin Weibel	" 7:	11	52	♌	26	♄ rises 2 16 ♒	2	5	38	6	22	7	12
Tuesday	7 Laz. Spengler	" 8: 1–15	morn.		♍	8	☿ in Perihelion	2	5	39	6	21	7	54
Wednesday	8 Corbinian	" 8: 16–39	12	35	♍	20	♃ sets 7 12	2	5	41	6	19	8	40
Thursday	9 Lorigi Paschall	" 9: 1–13	1	32	♎	3	Orion rises 12 12	3	5	42	6	18	9	26
Friday	10 Paul Seperatus	" 9: 14–33	2	34	♎	16	7* rises 8 58	3	5	43	6	17	10	24
Saturday	11 John Brenz	" 10:	3	38	♎	0	☽ in apogee ♉	3	5	44	6	16	11	23

37] *12th Sunday after Trinity.* Mark 7: 31–37; 2 Cor. 3: 4–11. *Day's Length, 12 hours, 28 min.*

Sunday	12 Dionys's Peloq'n	Rom. 11:	4	41	♏	14	♀ rises 3 50	4	5	46	6	14	11	22
Monday	13 Wm. Farel	" 12:	☽ rises		♏	0	13th. Altair south 8 16	4	5	47	6	13	1	21
Tuesday	14 Cyprian	" 13:	7	7	♏	14	♄ rises 1 52	4	5	48	6	12	2	11
Wednesday	15 *Ember Day*	" 14:	8	8	♐	29	♃ sets 6 50	5	5	50	6	10	2	52
Thursday	16 Euphemia	" 15: 1–13	8	44	♐	13	♄ sets 8 36	5	5	52	6	8	3	40
Friday	17 Lambert	" 15: 14–33	9	30	♐	28	☿ gr. Hel. Lat. North	5	5	54	6	6	4	31
Saturday	18 A.G. Spangenb'g	" 16:	10	17	♑	12	♀ in Perihelion	6	5	55	6	5	5	20

38] *13th Sunday after Trinity.* Luke 10: 23–27; Gal. 3: 16–22. *Day's Length, 12 hours, 6 min.*

Sunday	19 Thos. of St. Paul	Acts 20:	11	8	♑	26	Rigel rises 11 50 ♒	6	5	57	6	3	6	10
Monday	20 Magdal. Luther	" 21:	morn.		♑	10	♀ rises 4 10	6	5	58	6	2	7	54
Tuesday	21 Matthew	" 22: 23:	12	44	♒	23	21st. 7* rises 8 18	7	5	59	6	1	8	41
Wednesday	22 Mauritius	" 24: 25:	1	1	♒	7	♂ ☽ ♄. ☉ enters ♎	7	6	0	6	0	9	30
Thursday	23 5 Mar. of Gen'a.	" 26:	2	2	♓	20	Autumn com. [Days and Nights equal	8	6	2	5	58	10	14
Friday	24 Jno. Jacob Moser	" 27:	3	3	♓	3	♄ rises 1 12	8	6	3	5	57	10	49
Saturday	25 Augsb'g Treaty	" 28:	4	7	♈	15	♎ Antares sets 8 36	8	6	4	5	56	11	32

39] *14th Sunday after Trinity.* Luke 17: 11–19; Gal. 5: 16–24. *Day's Length, 11 hours, 50 min.*

Sunday	26 Lioba	Eph. 1: 1–44	5	10	♈	28	☽ in. Per. ♂ ☽ ♀ [☉ Superior	9	6	5	5	55	12	24
Monday	27 Phil. Graveron	" 1: 15; 2: 1-10	☽ sets		♈	10	27th. ♂ ☽ ☿. ♂ ☿	9	6	6	5	54	1	16
Tuesday	28 A. Clarenbach	" 2: 11; 3:	6	47	♈	22	♂ ☽ ♃. ♀ ris. 4 38	9	6	7	5	53	1	56
Wednesday	29 St. Michael	" 4: 1–17	7	39	♉	4	♂ ☿ ♊. Orion ris. 11 12	10	6	8	5	52	2	42
Thursday	30 Jerome	" 4: 18	8	29	♉	16	♂ ♊ ☉. ♂ ☽ ♂. ♄ s. 8 16	10	6	9	5	51	3	33

MOON'S PHASES.

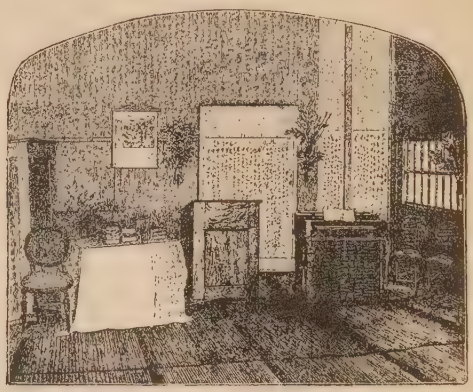
First Quarter,	5th,	2	o'clock,	55	minutes, morning.
Full Moon,	13th,	5	"	50	" morning.
Last Quarter,	21st,	12	"	55	" morning.
New Moon,	27th,	4	"	18	" evening.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, 3, variable; 4, 5, 6, 7, mild; 8, 9, cloudy; 10, 11, 12, 13, clear; 14, 15, showers; 16, 17, variable; 18, 19, 20, fair; 21, 22, rain; 23, 24, 25, clear; 26, 27, warm; 28, 29, variable; 30, fair.

SEPTEMBER

EXTERIOR.



INTERIOR.

MISSION SCHOOL BUILDING

OF THE REFORMED CHURCH NEAR THE BRIDGE, NIHON-BASHI, TOKIO, JAPAN.

Devotional Exercises before the opening of School, daily from 8.30 to 9 A. M.
Divine Services conducted by Missionaries Gring and Moore every Sunday.
First Reformed Congregation organized May 11th, 1884. Mr. Sudyuki ordained Elder, and Mr. Ariah (who is seen standing at the door), Deacon.
First Communion of the Lord's Supper celebrated in it May 18th, 1884.

THE COST OF A CONVERT.

MISSIONARY work in Japan began in 1859. By 1864, $60,000 had been spent by all the Churches, and one convert was the fruit. Eight years later (1872), $180,000 had been spent, and ten converts were the fruit, each costing $18,000. Now the work has cost about $2,000,000, and the 5,000 converts have cost the Church $400 each. Of course as the work goes on, year by year, the average cost of converts will fall to a mere mite. (The first steel rail rolled in America cost $500,000 in experiments and outlay. Now they cost less than $40 a ton.)

FOREIGN MISSIONS PAY.

THEY pay financially, as the old wheel-wright found who gave one dollar to missions in the Sandwich Islands, feeling as if he had dropped it into the sea, but was amazed to receive not long after an order for twenty carts at ninety dollars each. They pay scientifically, as the sixty languages reduced by missionaries to grammatical form attest. They pay restoratively, as the Papuan and the Maori of the day bear witness; and Africaner; and Vara, a Sandwich Islander, who, born a heathen, on his death-bed said to friends about him, that his canoe was ready, its sail was spread, and his pilot on board; and a certain Brahman, who, when converted, besides being invincible in argument, possessed such eloquence as to bring tears to Brahman eyes—a feat as difficult as wringing moisture from the pebbles of the brook. That they have restored society and whole nations, let the disappearance of Suttee, of Juggernaut, and of drowning in the Ganges declare; and Madagascar and Polynesia—that submerged continent—and Fiji with her eight hundred churches swell the testimony. If, after reflecting on facts like these, a preacher should have no zeal for missions, what a "narrow-chested, spindle-legged" character he must be!—*Dr. Scudder at the New Brunswick Inter-Seminary Convention.*

WHAT THE CHURCHES ARE DOING.

IT is well enough to know what other Churches are doing for Foreign Mission work.

1. The Presbyterian Church yearly spends nearly $700,000 (163 ordained missionaries), and $40,000 of this on Japan. The alms of the native Christians, sent in to the Board, are $25,000.

2. The Methodist Church spends about $750,000, of which $40,000 are on Japan.

3. The Dutch Reformed Church, having 82,000 members, received $90,000 for Foreign Missions in 1884. They have 31 ordained missionaries and 148 assistants.

4. Our own Church, with 150,000 members, has three ordained missionaries and three assistants, with an income of $4,500 a year. Let us try to do much more.

OCTOBER, *10th Month, 31 Days.* 1886.

Weeks and Days.	Remarkable Days	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h.	Moon R & S m.	Moon's Place. s.	Moon's Place. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. fs. m.	Sun rises. h.	Sun rises. m.	Sun sets. h.	Sun sets. m.	HIGH WATER Phila. h.	HIGH WATER Phila. m.
Friday	1 Remigius	Eph. 5; 6: 1–9	9	17	♍	28	☿ rises 4 49	♓ 10	6	11	5	49	4	29
Saturday	2 Chr. Schmid	" 6: 10	10	11	♎	10	Sirius rises 1 5	11	6	12	5	48	5	15
40]	*15th Sunday after Trinity.*	Matt. 6: 24–34; Gal. 5: 25; 6: 10.					*Day's Length*, 11 *hours*, 34 *min.*							
Sunday	3 The two Ewaldes	Col. 1:	11	10	♎	22	♂ ☿ ♃. ♄ rises 12 51	11	6	13	5	47	6	9
Monday	4 Franciscus	" 2; 3: 1–4	11	58	♏	4	4th. Orion rises 10 41	♑ 11	6	15	5	45	6	57
Tuesday	5 Petro Carnesec.	" 3: 5; 4:	morn.		♏	16	7* rises 7 29	11	6	16	5	44	8	41
Wednesday	6 Henry Albert	Philemon	12	38	♏	28	Arctur sets 8 36	12	6	17	5	43	9	23
Thursday	7 Theodore Beza	Philip. 1: 1–26	1	34	♐	11	Antares sets 8 52	12	6	19	5	41	10	8
Friday	8 Robt. of Lincoln	" 1: 27; 2:	2	24	♐	24	☽ in apo. ♄ sets 7 58	12	6	20	5	40	10	39
Saturday	9 Dionysius Areo.	" 3: 4:	3	21	♑	8	♂ ♃ ☉. Altair south 6 44	13	6	21	5	39	11	20
41]	*16th Sunday after Trinity.*	Luke 7: 11–17; Eph. 3: 13–21.					*Day's Length*, 11 *hours*, 16 *min.*							
Sunday	10 Justus Jonas	1 Tim. 1:	4	18	♑	22	☿ gr. Hel. Lat. ♄.	♌ 13	6	22	5	38	11	58
Monday	11 U. Zwingli died	" 2:	5	10	♒	7	Regulus rises 10 30	13	6	24	5	36	12	34
Tuesday	12 Henry Bullinger	" 3:	☽ rises		♒	22	12th. ☿ rises 4 59	13	6	25	5	35	1	15
Wednesday	13 Elizabeth Fry	" 3: 14; 4: 10	6	50	♓	7	♄ rises 12 22	14	6	26	5	34	1	56
Thursday	14 Nich. Ridley	" 4: 11; 5: 16	7	48	♓	22	♂ ☿ ☌. Formal south 9 34	14	6	28	5	32	2	41
Friday	15 Aurelia	" 5: 17	8	35	♈	7	☐ ♄ ☉. Orion rises 9 58	14	6	29	5	31	3	30
Saturday	16 Gallus	" 6:	9	18	♈	22	♑ sets 7 49	14	6	30	5	30	4	10
42]	*17th Sunday after Trinity.*	Luke 14: 1–11; Eph. 4: 1–6.					*Day's Length*, 10 *hours*, 58 *min.*							
Sunday	17 Rev. Edi. of Nan.	Titus 1:	9	56	♈	6	Sirius rises 12 8	♓ 15	6	31	5	29	4	56
Monday	18 *St. Luke Ev.*	" 2:	10	33	♉	21	Regulus rises 9 40	15	6	32	5	28	5	34
Tuesday	19 Bruno	" 3:	11	29	♉	4	7* rises 6 38	15	6	34	5	26	6	11
Wednesday	20 F. Lamb't of Avi.	2 Tim. 1:	morn.		♊	17	20th. ♂ ☽ ♄ . ☿ In Aphe.	15	6	35	5	25	6	50
Thursday	21 Hilarion	" 2:	12	15	♋	0	♄ rises 12 6	15	6	36	5	24	7	56
Friday	22 Hedwick	" 3:	1	9	♋	13	♂ ☿ ♃. ☿ rises 5 33	16	6	38	5	22	8	18
Saturday	23 Henry Martin	" 4:	2	8	♋	25	Markab south 9 10	16	6	39	5	21	8	59
43]	*18th Sunday after Trinity.*	Matt. 22: 34–46; 1 Cor. 1: 4–9.					*Day's Length*, 10 *hours*, 40 *min.*							
Sunday	24 Arethas	Heb. 1:	3	7	♌	7	☽ in Per. ♌. ☉ enters ♏	16	6	40	5	20	10	1
Monday	25 John Herz	" 2:	4	6	♌	19	Regulus rises 9 10	16	6	41	5	19	11	13
Tuesday	26 Frederick III.	" 3: 4:	4	59	♍	1	♂ ☽ ♃. ☿.	16	6	42	5	18	12	19
Wednesday	27 Frumentius	" 5:	☽ sets		♍	13	27th. ♄ rises 11 42	16	6	43	5	17	1	23
Thursday	28 Simon and Jude	" 6:	6	32	♍	25	♂ ☽ ☿ . Orion rises 9 12	16	6	45	5	15	2	12
Friday	29 Alfred the Great	" 7:	7	25	♎	7	☿ rises 5 54	16	6	46	5	14	2	55
Saturday	30 Jacob Sturm	" 8:	8	18	♎	19	♂ ☽ ♄ . ♄ sets 7 39	16	6	47	5	13	3	41
44]	*4th Sunday before Advent.*	Matt. 9: 18–26; Col. 1: 9–14.					*Day's Length*, 10 *hours*, 22 *min.*							
Sunday	31 Fest. of Reform'n	John 21: 1–23	9	10	♎	1	Procyon rises 10 55	♑ 16	6	48	5	12	4	30

MOON'S PHASES.

First Quarter,	4th,	5	o'clock,	33	minutes, evening.
Full Moon,	12th,	10	"	23	" evening.
Last Quarter,	20th,	9	"	40	" morning.
New Moon,	27th,	2	"	15	" morning.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, variable; 3, 4, 5, 6, fair; 7, 8, cloudy; 9, 10, rain; 11, 12, stormy; 13, 14, rain; 15, 16, fair; 17, 18, cloudy; 19, 20, 21, clear; 22, 23, 24, fair; 25, 26, 27, variable; 28, 29, rain; 30, 31, clear.

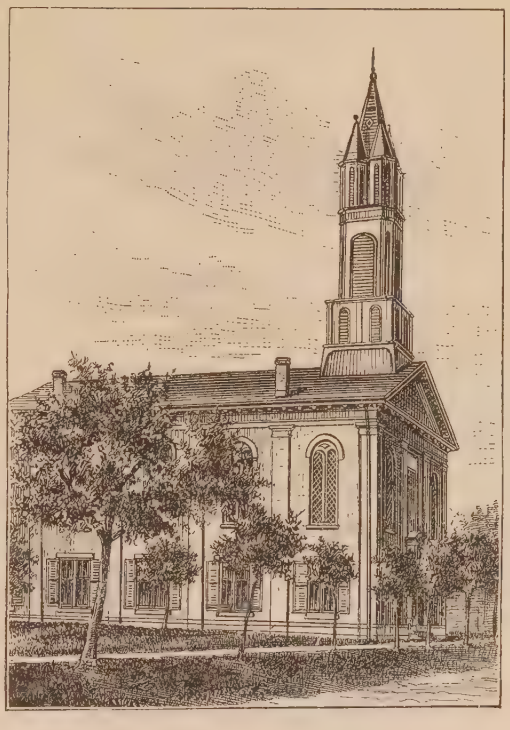
♃ Jupiter is in conjunction with the sun on the 9th, and cannot be seen.

OCTOBER

THE BESETTING SIN.

We have a "sin that doth most easily beset us." How natural it is to do wrong! The good we must *acquire*, the evil we need only *desire*. Tares grow without cultivation. It is not because men *design* to be evil. Can you imagine that a man would strive to be a drunkard, a gambler, or an adulterer? Nay, men become such before they will confess it to themselves. They see no danger in the sparkling cup, the fascinating game, or the lustful appetite. How did they become its victims? They cannot tell us. They awake to their dreadful doom, helpless and speechless. The safest way to overcome temptation is not to fall into it. "Watch and pray, lest ye *enter* into temptation."

☞Dr. Munro Gibson says: "Many a small man is never done talking about the sacrifices he makes, but he is a great man, indeed, who can sacrifice everything and say nothing."



REFORMED CHURCH, MIFFLINBURG, PA.
Rev. A. C. Whitmer, Pastor.

The Synod of the United States met in this Church last October.

Church Sociability.

Be social. A young man comes to your church; he is a perfect stranger to a majority of those he meets; his home is far away; his church he has left behind. He listens attentively to the service; and is pleased and profited by what he hears. The service over, he goes out. Although many know him to be a stranger, yet no one extends the friendly hand or in any way notices him. He is somewhat discouraged; a little home-sickness steals over him, but he resolves to go there once more. He goes, with the same result. Discouraged, he seeks another sanctuary, where the warm grasp of the hand, information about the evening meeting, invitation to the Sunday-school, and the interest taken by the members of the church in his welfare, at once decides his course. The result is a zealous worker is gained by one church and lost by another, and simply because the young men were social. Young men and young women of our churches, never let a stranger go away without notice; never let that chilling feeling of loneliness come over any person in the house of God. It should be your pleasure to make every stranger at home. Try it, and your reward will be speedy.

THE PROGRESS OF PROTESTANT MISSIONS.

	1800.	1885.
Missionary Societies in the whole World,	7	180
Ordained Missionaries,	170	2,750
Ordained Natives,		2,350
Native Helpers,		26,000
Communicants,	50,000	650,000
Adherents,		1,000,000
Schools,	7	12,000
Scholars,	100	500,000
Translations of the Bible,	50	320
Yearly Cost,	$250,000	$9,000 000

Note.—1. Besides *ordained* missionaries, there are also many others, such as wives, teachers and physicians.

2. *Helpers* are such as native teachers, catechists, Bible-readers and tract distributors.

3. *Adherents* are those who believe in Christianity but have not yet been baptized.

4. There are not 320 distinct languages in the world. Many of these translations of the Bible are only dialects or variations from the main tongue.

For the rosebud's break of beauty
Along the toiler's way;
For the violet's eye that opens
To bless the new-born day;
For the bare twigs that in summer
Bloom like the prophet's rod;
For the blossoming of flowers,
I thank Thee, O my God.

—*Lucy Larcom.*

☞It is believed that the number of Christians in India, Ceylon, and Burmah increased two hundred thousand in the year 1880. Let our hearts be still more encouraged to labor and to sing, "Fly abroad, thou mighty gospel!"

NOVEMBER, *11th Month, 30 Days.* 1886.

Weeks and Days.	Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h.	Moon R & S m.	Moon's Place. s.	Moon's Place. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	s. fs. m.	Sun rises. h.	Sun rises. m.	Sun sets. h.	Sun sets. m.	High Water Phila. h.	High Water Phila. m.
Monday	1 All Saints	1 John 1: 2:	9	59	♑	13	☿ rises 6 6 ☋	16	6	50	5	10	5	15
Tuesday	2 Victorinus	" 3:	10	47	♑	25	Regulus rises 12 24	16	6	51	5	9	6	9
Wednesday	3 Pirminus	" 4:	11	33	♒	7	3d. ♄ stationary	16	6	52	5	8	6	51
Thursday	4 John A. Bengel	" 5:	morn.		♒	20	♄ rises 11 12	16	6	53	5	7	7	40
Friday	5 Hans Egede	2 John	12	34	♓	3	☽ in apo.	16	6	54	5	6	8	26
Saturday	6 Gustav. Adolph.	3 John	1	32	♓	16	♁ sets 7 28	16	6	56	5	4	9	10

45] *3d Sunday before Advent.* Matt. 24: 15–28; 1 Thess. 4: 13–18. *Day's Length, 10 hours, 4 min.*

Sunday	7 Willibrord	Rev. 1:	2	30	♈	0	♇. Sirius rises 10 47	16	6	58	5	2	9	56
Monday	8 Willehad	" 2:	3	28	♈	15	Orion rises 8 43	16	6	59	5	1	10	42
Tuesday	9 John v. Staupitz	" 3:	4	30	♉	0	♄ rises 10 54	16	7	0	5	0	11	31
Wednesday	10 Martin Luther	" 4; 5; 6:	5	32	♉	15	☿ gr. Hel. Lat. South	16	7	1	4	59	12	24
Thursday	11 Martin of Tours	" 7; 8; 9: 1-12	☽ rises		♊	0	11th. 7* south 12 37	16	7	2	4	58	1	17
Friday	12 Phil. de Mornay	" 9: 13; 10; 11:	6	32	♊	16	♀ rises 6 43	16	7	3	4	57	2	7
Saturday	13 Arcadius	" 12; 13:	7	29	♋	1	☿ gr. Elong. East ♎	16	7	4	4	56	2	55

46] *2d Sunday before Advent.* Matt. 25: 31–46; 1 Thess. 1: 3–10. *Day's Length, 9 hours, 50 min.*

Sunday	14 Pet. Mart. Verm.	Rev. 14: 1–13	8	30	♋	15	☿ sets 5 49	15	7	5	4	55	3	41
Monday	15 John Kepler	" 14: 14	9	32	♋	0	Altair sets 10 49	15	7	6	4	54	4	30
Tuesday	16 Casp. Creuziger	" 15:	10	37	♌	13	♂ ☽ ♄. ♄ rises 10 20	15	7	7	4	53	5	14
Wednesday	17 Bernward	" 16: 1–8	11	39	♌	26	♁ sets 7 2	15	7	8	4	52	6	6
Thursday	18 Greg. Illuminat.	" 16: 9–21	morn.		♍	9	18th. ♆ Neptune ☉	14	7	9	4	51	6	57
Friday	19 Elizab. of Hesse	" 17:	12	40	♍	27	Formal south 6 9	14	7	10	4	50	7	42
Saturday	20 John Williams	" 18:	1	41	♎	4	Regulus rises 7 20	14	7	11	4	49	8	32

47] *1st Sunday before Advent.* Matt. 25: 1–13; 2 Peter 3: 3–14. *Day's Length, 9 hours, 36 min.*

Sunday	21 Columbanus	Rev. 19: 1–10	2	44	♎	16	☽ in Per. ♌.	14	7	12	4	48	9	24
Monday	22 J. Oecolampadius	" 19: 11; 20: 1-3	3	48	♎	28	♂ ☽ ♃. ♃ rises 3 40 morn.	13	7	12	4	48	10	23
Tuesday	23 Clemens Roman	" 20: 4–15	4	49	♏	10	☿ stationary. ☉ enters ♐	13	7	13	4	47	11	21
Wednesday	24 John Knox	" 21: 1–8	5	40	♏	22	♄ rises 9 41	13	7	14	4	46	12	19
Thursday	25 Catharine	" 21: 9; 22:	☽ sets		♐	4	25th. ♂ ☽ ♀.	13	7	15	4	45	1	18
Friday	26 Conrad	Psalm 96:	5	42	♐	16	♂ ☽ ☿. Sirius rises 9 26	13	7	16	4	44	1	58
Saturday	27 Marg't Blaurer	" 145:	6	29	♐	28	Orion rises 7 12 ☋	12	7	17	4	43	2	42

48] *1st Sunday in Advent.* Matt. 21: 8–11; Rom. 13: 11–14. *Day's Length, 9 hours, 26 min.*

Sunday	28 Alex. Roussell	John 1: 1–14	7	20	♑	10	♂ ☽ ♁. ♁ sets 6 50	12	7	17	4	43	3	31
Monday	29 Saturninus	Gen. 2: 4–25	8	11	♑	22	Arietis south 9 38	12	7	18	4	42	4	20
Tuesday	30 St. Andrew	Matt. 19: 1–12	8	58	♒	4	Altair sets 9 50	11	7	18	4	42	4	59

MOON'S PHASES.

First Quarter,	3d,	12	o'clock,	5	minutes, afternoon.
Full Moon,	11th,	2	"	6	" afternoon.
Last Quarter,	18th,	5	"	40	" afternoon.
New Moon,	25th,	2	"	18	" afternoon.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, 3, 4, mild; 5, 6, variable; 7, 8, rain; 9, 10, variable; 11, 12, clear; 13, 14, rain or snow; 15, 16, cloudy; 17, 18, changeable; 19, 20, fair; 21, 22, rain; 23, 24, 25, 26, clear; 27, 28, fair; 29, 30, cold.

LAZY CHRISTIANS.

There are some in every church who are willing to work, and do work. You hear of them among the poor and sick; you find them in the prayer-meeting, and see them in all church activities. They are always willing to do more than their part. You can rely upon them every time. But many professors seem surprised that you should expect any work from them. They come into church to enjoy religion, not to help others to be saved, not to work. As for visiting the sick, feeding the poor, gathering in destitute children, or speaking to the unsaved, they never try it, "have no gifts for it," and so pay their money, hear the sermon, enjoy the singing, try to be respectable, and call that religious living, without making a personal endeavor to do good from one year's end to another.

REV. J. BOSSARD, PH. D.,
LATE PRESIDENT OF MISSION HOUSE, SHEBOYGAN, WISCONSIN.

It is surprising what easy Christians some men make. A set of merchants who can run a bank or mill, and make trade pay, and know how to manage corporations, will let a church run down for the want of a little religious enterprise, and very likely call upon the women and children to help them out. A community of Christian farmers, who know how to improve stock and make a farm pay, who, on hard soil, will get a good living, and keep their own house neat and trim, will let the house of God become shabby, and the church die out, because as farmers they work, but as Christians they do not work. What our churches and our committees most need is not more talent, or more truth, or more money, or more opportunities, but downright and upright earnest work.

☞ PATIENT, trusting humility is the crowning Christian grace; but for the want of it, how often has Jesus occasion to rebuke us?

IMPOSSIBLE THINGS.

To bring back a single moment of time.

To escape trouble by running away from duty.

To reach the pinnacle of success without climbing the hill difficulty.

To be a faithful, earnest Christian without prayer and Bible study.

To be good without doing good.

MONEY CAN'T DO IT.

THERE are some things that money cannot buy. It can get you a big house, and a carriage, and costly silks and furs, and jewels. It can bring you power, and power is sweet. But it cannot buy you love; it cannot buy you a happy home; it cannot buy content nor sunshine in the heart; it cannot buy you peace with God; it cannot save your soul, nor that of your child. Without these, what is your money worth? With these, what great difference does it make whether you have money or not? The regeneration of a single child in your household is worth more than all the money you have got, be it ever so much.

WHICH DID YOU JOIN?

"WHEN you came into this flock, did you join the preacher or the church?" asked a friend of one who ceased to attend his church because of a change of pastors. That is a novel way of putting it, and it may attract the attention of some who, because of such changes in the pastoral office, have grown indifferent to church duties. You joined the church, and not the pastor, and, however you may regard him, you should stand firm to the church. The more unworthy the pastor, the more important it is that you do your best to advance the interest of the church.

DECEMBER, *12th Month, 31 Days.* 1886.

Weeks and Days.	Remarkable Days.	Daily Bible Lessons.	Moon R & S h. m.	Moon's Place. s. a.	Aspects of Planets, and other Miscellaneous Matter.	Sun rises. h. m.	Sun sets. h. m.	HIGH WATER Phila. h. m.
Wednesday	1 Eligius	Eph. 5: 22–33	10 10	16	♄ rises 9 0	7 11	4 41	5 41
Thursday	2 John Ruysbrock	1 Cor. 7:	11 29	26	Regulus rises 6 20	7 11	4 41	6 30
Friday	3 Gerhard Groot	Gen. 3:	morn.	12	3d. ☽ in apo. ♂ ♀ ☉ Superior.	7 10	4 40	7 12
Saturday	4 Gerh. v. Zütphen	" 8: 15-9: 17	12 25	26	♃ rises 2 54	7 10	4 40	7 34

49] *2d Sunday in Advent.* Luke 21: 25–33; Rom. 15: 4–13. *Day's Length, 9 hours, 18 min.*

Sunday	5 Crispin	Acts 17: 15–34	1 29	9	♀ in ♉. ♉.	7 9	4 39	8 40
Monday	6 Nicholas	Gen. 15:	2 39	23	♄ sets 6 40	7 9	4 38	9 25
Tuesday	7 Paulus Odontius	Deut. 5:	3 43	8	Orion rises 6 28	7 8	4 38	10 8
Wednesday	8 Mart. Rinkard	Exodus 12:	4 12	23	♄ rises 8 31	7 8	4 37	10 56
Thursday	9 Benj. Schmolck	Deut. 27:	4 48	8	Aldebaran south 11 22	7 8	4 37	11 42
Friday	10 Paul Eber	Romans 7:	5 58	23	7* south 10 32 ♈	7 7	4 37	12 31
Saturday	11 Hen. v. Zütphen	Leviticus 16:	☽ rises	9	11th. ♃ rises 2 4	7 7	4 36	1 22

50] *3d Sunday in Advent.* Matt. 11: 2–10; 1 Cor. 4: 1–5. *Day's Length, 9 hours, 12 min.*

Sunday	12 Vicelin	Is. 40: John 5:	6 20	23	♄ rises 8 1	6 7	4 36	1 59
Monday	13 Odilia	1 Peter 1: 3–12	7 26	7	☿ stationary. ♂ ☽ ♄	6 7	4 36	2 43
Tuesday	14 Dioscorus	2 Samuel 7:	8 36	22	☿ gr. Hel. Lat. North	5 7	4 35	3 31
Wednesday	15 *Ember Day*	Joel 3:	9 40	4	☽ in Per. Spica rises 2 22	5 7	4 35	4 26
Thursday	16 Adelheid	Jeremiah 23:	10 49	18	♄ sets 6 34	4 7	4 35	4 56
Friday	17 Sturm	" 31:	11 53	1	♄ rises 7 46	4 7	4 35	5 17
Saturday	18 Louis v. Seckendorf	Isa. 52: 13–53:	morn.	13	18th. Regulus 5 30	3 7	4 35	5 49

51] *4th Sunday in Advent.* John 1: 19–34; Phil. 4: 4–7. *Day's Length, 9 hours, 10 min.*

Sunday	19 Clem. Alexandrinus	John 3: 23–33	12 18	25	Arietis south 7 18	3 7	4 35	7 50
Monday	20 Abraham	Isaiah 42:	1 29	7	♂ ☽ ♃. ☊. ♃ rises 1 3	2 7	4 35	7 59
Tuesday	21 Thomas	" 49:	2 35	19	☉ enters ♑. Shortest Day	2 7	4 34	9 10
Wednesday	22 Hugh McKail	" 55:	3 37	0	☿ gr. Elong. W. Winter Begins	1 7	4 35	10 16
Thursday	23 Anna du Bourg	" 58:	4 43	12	☿ rises 6 40. ♂ ☽ ☿	1 7	4 35	11 20
Friday	24 Adam and Eve	" 11: 1–10	5 58	24	♄ rises 7 15	Sun 7	4 35	12 22
Saturday	25 *Christmas*	" 9: 2–7; Heb. 1:	☽ sets	6	25th. ♂ ☽ ☿	sl w 7	4 35	1 23

52] *Sunday after Christmas.* Luke 2: 15–21; 2 Cor. 2: 8–17. *Day's Length, 9 hours, 10 min.*

Sunday	26 Stephen	Luke 2: 15-20; Matt. 28: 31-39	5 56	19	7* south 9 28	1 7	4 35	2 10
Monday	27 St. John Evang.	John 21: 19–24	6 35	1	♂ ☽ ♄. ♄ sets 6 21	1 7	4 35	2 54
Tuesday	28 Innocents	Matt. 2: 13–18	7 23	13	Orion south 11 18	2 7	4 35	3 42
Wednesday	29 David	Isaiah 41:	8 8	26	Altair south 10 1	2 7	4 36	4 30
Thursday	30 Christi'n of Wurtemburg	" 49:	8 59	9	Sirius rises 8 2	3 7	4 36	5 12
Friday	31 John Wiclif	Psalm 90:	9 30	22	☽ in apo. ♄ rises 12 35	3 7	4 36	5 55

MOON'S PHASES.

First Quarter,	3d, 9	o'clock,	25	minutes,	morning.
Full Moon,	11th, 4	"	30	"	morning.
Last Quarter,	18th, 1	"	39	"	morning.
New Moon,	25th, 4	"	54	"	morning.

CONJECTURES OF THE WEATHER.

1, 2, 3, clear; 4, 5, 6, rain or snow; 7, 8, fair; 9, 10, cloudy; 11, 12, changeable; 13, 14, 15, 16, clear, cold; 17, 18, fair; 19, 20, 21, cold; 22, 23, variable, snow; 24, 25, fair; 26, 27, clear; 28, 29, rain; 30, 31, variable.

♀ Venus is in Superior conjunction with the sun the 3d, and passes from Morning to Evening Star.

HELPING THE MINISTER.

Some people, apparently, expect their minister to fill his church with an attentive and appreciative audience, to write "smart" sermons, to be "social," to occupy a prominent position in public assemblies, to serve on committees, to "carry" the Sunday-school, to manage the choir,—in short, to do his own work and that of many drones; they, meanwhile, buzzing unjust criticism, disheartening censure. For those who are too wise to be numbered among such mischief-makers, the following suggestions are made as to helping the minister.

1. That the pastor may achieve the greatest success possible, all should rally around him as faithful yokefellows.

2. Bring the non-churchgoers to the Lord's house, and treat them so kindly that they will become regular attendants.

3. Do what you can to fix the sermons of your pastor in your own mind, and in the minds of your fellow-worshippers.

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4. Attend the social meetings regularly and do all in your power to make them interesting and profitable.

5. The keystone of divine service is worship. Help your minister, therefore, by maintaining in yourself and by assisting others to maintain the spirit of devotion.

LOOK AT THE PREACHER.

First, because he is speaking to you. He speaks to all that are present. You do not drop your head or avert your face when a friend or any man speaks to you in the house, or on the street. Acknowledge by looking that you feel that you are spoken to. *Second*, because looking at him is a proper return, so far as it goes, for his pains to interest you. He puts himself into communication with you, and your attentive gaze at him is obedience to his virtual solicitation that you be in communication with him. It is simple justice. *Third*, it is politeness, too. You would call one rude and ill-mannered who should avert his face when you attempt to speak to him. Politeness in the social circle should go with you into the sanctuary.

CHRISTMAS.

GLORY to God! the angels are singing,
Tidings of joy to men they bring;
Bethlehem's plain with music is ringing,
Jesus to-day is born a King.

Glory to God, O wonderful charm,
Peace and good-will the angels sing,
For unto you is born in the city,
City of David, Christ a King.

Born to redeem, O mighty salvation,
Jesus the Christ, O yes, it is He,
Seated in glory, now we behold Him,
Jesus the bright and morning star.

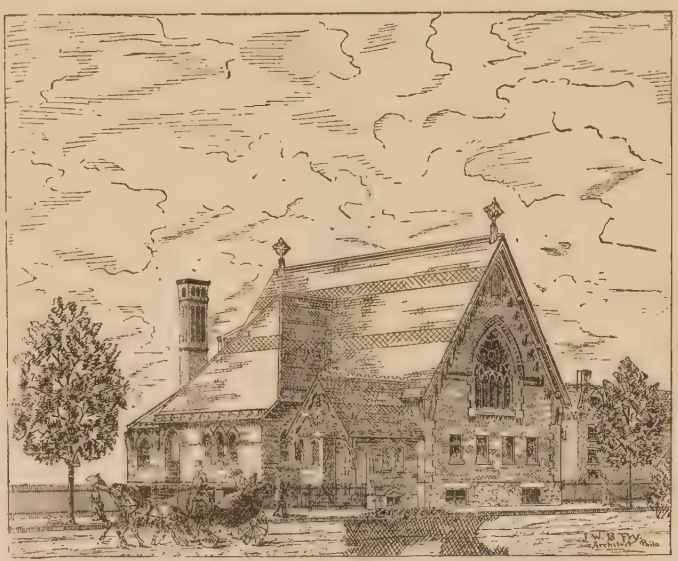
☞ A PARISHIONER, who was a dear friend, read his pastor a page from his life's history to this effect: When a small boy he gave his heart to Christ. He was engaged in a brickyard to carry clay, often on his head, for twenty-five cents a day. Then he vowed that one-tenth of his income he would give to his God. This he conscientiously did, and prosperity followed until he was worth $10,000; and then the trial of his life came, in which he went down in financial disaster. He would not give one-tenth of $10,000. Here his faith balked. He said, "After disaster had swept all away, I learned what I had not known before—that it is easier to give one-tenth of $1.50 a week than of $10,000." A man is truer to God who works for twenty-five cents a day, and has less temptations and more strength to meet them, whose income is $6 a month, than $833⅓. He regained wealth, but it was in strict compliance with the vow of his youth, which his disaster enabled him to fulfil until his death.

☞ THE last month, the last week, the last day, and the last hour in the year 1886! How have all the months, weeks, days and hours of this year been spent? Who would like to review them? Doubtless such a review would make every one feel that his or her life has been indeed misspent.

Missionary Work in Japan

1. *Statistics.* Eighteen Societies have nearly 200 missionaries there (male and female), besides 50 ordained native pastors. Of the 100 congregations, nearly one-fourth are self-supporting. The number of members is now 5,000.

2. *Hindrances.* The Government is not yet committed to Christianity. The country is not fully open to foreigners. The language is very difficult. The native priests have become greatly aroused against Christianity, and publicly oppose it by lectures and tracts. Infidels are very actively scattering their poison by means of lectures, books and papers.



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3. *Encouragements.* The Government really favors Christianity. It has turned the cold shoulder to the native religions by abolishing the official priesthood, which simply means that church and state are now separate, taking away from the priests all Government aid. Then, too, the Government in many ways really helps and encourages missionary work. Many leading men, statesmen, editors and scholars, favor Christianity, not because they believe it religiously but because they think it the best religion for their civil good. Seeing that it is the religion of the leading nations of the earth, they want it for Japan. Then, too, many leading Japanese papers favor Christianity, and scatter many helping facts in regard to it. The general spirit of the common people toward Christianity also is encouraging. They seem tired of the empty religion they have and are ready to take a better. The native Christians are very active and helpful in teaching Christianity to their neighbors and friends, and also very liberal in supporting their pastors and in all congregational work.

Again, Mission work in Japan is different from that of most countries. In India, Africa and elsewhere, missionaries must begin with the lowly, poor and humble classes; but in Japan they at once meet the upper classes, people of position, wealth and influence. When these are gained to Christianity, it is more easy to reach the rest than to work from below upward.

☞ Give as God has prospered you.

THE OATH.

Every child should early be taught the nature, meaning and solemnity of the oath, because the decision of great matters often hangs upon the evidence of a child, and the weight of evidence may depend largely on whether the child really understands the force of an oath and the wickedness of perjury.

"A lawful oath is a calling upon God, as the only searcher of hearts, to bear witness to the truth and to punish me if I swear falsely."

This short and clear definition should be carefully committed to memory, and from this any one can see the wickedness of swearing falsely, which is called perjury.

Perjury, or false swearing, is calling upon God to witness to a lie, and so we put Him on a level with the devil, a most dreadful sin.

How is the oath taken? When the officer who administers the oath has spoken it, you may assent to it, that is, make it your own, by kissing the Bible which he gives you. So you confess your belief in God, and declare your willingness to be judged by His law.

But the most beautiful and significant way of taking the oath is to swear with the uplifted hand as an appeal to God. This indeed is Scriptural (Gen. 14: 22; Dan. 12: 7). In Exodus 6: 8, "I did swear" means "lift up my hand" (Deut. 32: 40). Indeed, in Exodus 20: 7, "take" literally means "lift up," implying the lifting up of the hand in using God's name.

☞ As if we did not suffer enough from the storms which beat about us without, must we conspire also to harass one another?

☞ Nothing is more desirable in the services of the sanctuary than good and appropriate music. To learn more about this, send for the new tract, "*A Chat with Choir Singers about Hymn Tunes.*" It is for *free* distribution by the Reformed Church Publication Board, 907 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

NECROLOGY.

From September 1, 1884, to September 1, 1885.

HENNEMAN, REV. JOHN CHARLES.—Born in Harheusen, County Wisbaden, Nassau, June 4th, 1815. Educated at Mission House at Bremen, and Theological Seminary, Mercersburg, Pa. Licensed and ordained June 6th, 1848. First charge in Westmoreland Classis, which he served three years. Resided at Punxatawny, Pa.; (2) Brown County, O., two years; (3) Columbus, O., four and a half years; (4) Beaver, Pike County, O. For the last ten years was without charge. Married Ann Amelia Wilfing, September 26th, 1848, who, with three children survives him. Died September 14th, 1884; aged 69 years, 3 months, and 10 days; buried at Beaver, O.

KING, REV. HENRY.—Son of John and Catherine (Baum) King, born in Rockingham County, Va., October 23d, 1801. Parents removed to Somerset, Perry County, O., in 1803. Studied under Rev. Geo. Weiz. Licensed and ordained in 1825. His first charge was in Pickway and Ross Counties, O., nearly forty years; (2) Somerset Charge, Somerset, O., one year; (3) Baltimore, O., twelve years; (4) Bremen, O.; (5) Stoutsville, O., one year. He then removed to Baltimore, O., and until the day of his death was without charge. Married Magdalena Drum, December 13th, 1825, who, with two sons and seven daughters survives him. Died from an injury, January 25th, 1884; aged 82 years, 3 weeks and 2 days; buried at Baltimore, O.

FRITCHEY, REV. JOHN G.—Born near Harrisburg, Pa., February 7th, 1802. Prepared at Sandy Hollow. Was the first student at the opening of the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church at Carlisle, Pa. Licensed and ordained in 1828. First charge, Lincolnton, N. C., twelve years; (2) Mechanicsburg, Pa.; (3) East Berlin, Pa.; (4) Taneytown, Md., thirteen years; (5) Supplied congregations around Lancaster, Pa. Died at Lancaster, Pa., March 12th, 1885; aged 83 years, 1 month, 5 days.

HENRY, REV. AUSTIN.—Born near W. Alexandria, O., August 17th, 1845. Entered Heidelberg College, Tiffin, O., 1864, and graduated June, 1870; entered the Theological Seminary, Tiffin, O., leaving it in two years. Licensed and ordained, 1872. First charge, Kinnick-kinnick, O., ten years; (2) Winchester Charge, his last pastorate. Married E. Ione O'Conner, December 26th, 1872, who, with a son survives him. Died at Canal Winchester, O.; aged 39 years, 7 months and 16 days; buried at Canal Winchester, O.

EICHEN, REV. JOHN.—Born in the Grand Duchy of Baden, December 15th, 1821. Studied under Rev. Max Stern, D. D. Licensed and ordained in 1857. First charge, Crestline, O.; (2) Linton, Ind.; (3) Lanesville, Ind.; (4) Linton, Ind.; (5) Lanesville, Ind.; (6) Olney, Ills., his last pastorate. Died at Olney, Ills.; aged 63 years, 3 months and 27 days; buried at Linton, Ind.

BROWN, REV. ISAAC GETZ.—Son of William and Magdalene (Getz) Brown, born near East Buffalo, Union County, Pa., August 14th, 1828. Graduated at Marshall College and Theological Seminary, Mercersburg, Pa. Licensed and ordained in 1857. First charge, Mercersburg, Pa., twenty-five years; (2) Wichita, Kans., his last pastorate. Married Elizabeth M. Loose, May 20th, 1862, who, with one daughter and three sons survives him. Died at Wichita, Kans., May 7th, 1885; buried at Wichita, Kans.

WINTERS, D. D., REV. DAVID.—Son of Rev. Thos. and Susannah (Flegle) Winters, born at Martinsburg, W. Va., Dec. 24th, 1801. Removed with his father to Ohio, in 1809. Studied with his father, Germantown, O. Licensed and ordained in 1824. First charge, around Dayton, O.; (2) Organized First Reformed Church, Dayton, O., which he served seventeen years; (3) Mt. Zion, near Dayton, O., thirty years, his last pastorate. Married Anna Maria Recher, who died December 12th, 1823, and again married Mary Ann Huffman, who died a few weeks after he did. Four sons and two daughters survive them. Died May 9th, 1885; aged 83 years, 4 months and 15 days; buried at Dayton, O.

RUHL, M. D., REV. JOHN.—Son of John and Mrs. Ruhl, born at Iba, Kurfuerstenthum Hessen, Germany, May 4th, 1821. Came to America in 1836. Studied under Revs. Isaac Shelhammer and John W. Hamm. Licensed and ordained in 1845. First charge in Medina and Summit Counties, O., two years; (2) Congress, O., three years; (3) Akron, O., two years; (4) Defiance, O., six years; (5) Basil, O., four years, and in 1860 removed to Defiance, O., and studied and pursued the practice of medicine, on account of affection of throat; (6) Frostburg, Md., sixteen years, his last pastorate. Married Sarah Hamm, who, with an only daughter, survives him. Died May 25th, 1885; aged 64 years and 25 days; buried at Frostburg, Md.

BOSSARD, Ph. D., REV. J.—Born in Basel, Switzerland, July 25th, 1815. Educated in schools of his native city. Received July 4th, 1841, from University at Basel, the degree of Ph. D. Came to America in 1847. Was professor in Marshall College and also prosecuted his Theological Studies in the Seminary, Mercersburg, Pa. Was licensed and ordained in 1848. First charge, Ft. Wayne, Ind.; (2) Emanuel Church, Sheboygan, Wis.; (3) One of the founders, and professor in Sheboygan Missionary Institute for 25 years. Married Catharine Sophia Blomker, who, with eight children survives him. Died July 18th, 1885; aged 67 years and 24 days; buried at Plymouth, Wis.

STATISTICS OF THE MISSIONS UNDER THE TRI-SYNODIC BOARD FOR THE YEARS 1884-85.

LOCATION OF MISSIONS.	Congregations.	Members.	S. S. Scholars.	Baptisms.	Additions.	Losses.	Benevolence.	Congregational Purposes.	Value of Property.	Indebtedness.	Reduction of Indebtedness.	MISSIONARIES.
Pennsylvania.—Easton—Grace Ch.	1	107	115	16	12	5	$43 00	$700 00	$4000 00	.....	.....	D. Y. Heisler, D. D.
Catasauqua	1	170	220	12	20	14	50 00	450 00	10,000 00	.....	.....	J. J. Crist.
Stroudsburg	1	45	60	.....	.....	.....	50 00	2000 00	8000 00	1400 00	.....	G. W. Kershner.
Reading	1	124	311	14	36	3	31 00	675 00	6700 00	3000 00	.....	C. S. Gerhard.
Philadelphia, West	1	50	60	2	4	2	100 00	570 00	3270 00	3700 00	1130 00	Geo. H. Johnston.
Harrisburg	1	119	200	12	17	9	114 00	2046 00	9000 00	800 00	.....	G. W. Snyder.
Harrisburg	1	72	40	6	21	1	10 00	545 00	8000 00	1200 00	.....	J. Kuelling, D. D.
Steelton	1	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	.....	.....	.....	Supplied.
Lock Haven	2	160	225	8	18	12	56 00	911 00	8000 00	112 00	512 00	G. W. Gerhard.
Williamsport	1	108	100	4	34	4	50 00	3400 00	10,750 00	1800 00	.....	D. H. Leader.
Wilkinsburg—E. End	2	116	155	9	13	7	40 00	400 00	3000 00	200 00	400 00	M. F. Frank.
Orbisonia	3	103	60	7	10	11	38 00	.....	3500 00	50 00	.....	N. F. Peters.
Mann's Choice	3	238	105	12	9	3	.....	220 00	3000 00	.....	.....	S. C. Long.
Duncannon	3	131	140	6	10	4	80 00	.....	6000 00	.....	.....	J. R. Lewis.
Lancaster	1	80	230	23	7	.....	16 00	434 00	3300 00	.....	.....	W. F. Lichliter.
Johnstown	1	93	83	14	8	16	45 00	398 00	3000 00	.....	.....	W. H. Bates.
Latrobe	2	125	90	10	3	.....	.....	225 00	10,000 00	400 00	345 00	C. M. Hartzell.
Overton	3	180	75	24	23	3	47 00	330 00	2000 00	150 00	.....	C. M. Mutschler.
New Castle	1	57	35	6	8	.....	.....	.....	4000 00	880 00	.....	J. W. Miller.
Marietta	1	131	145	22	13	14	26 00	398 00	3000 00	.....	.....	D. B. Schneder.
Bangor—No report	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	J. G. Neff.
Somerset	3	155	80	4	6	4	120 00	425 00	3000 00	.....	.....	H. King.
Tionesta—No report	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Vacant.
Dubois	2	60	70	6	6	.....	.....	.....	6500 00	500 00	.....	W. M. Andrews.
Houtzdale	1	48	25	19	6	.....	16 00	165 00	1200 00	300 00	.....	C. W. E. Siegel.
Hyndman	4	225	130	6	25	16	69 00	620 00	4000 00	160 00	240 00	C. H. Reiter.
McKeesport	2	98	94	16	24	.....	28 00	870 00	6000 00	140 00	.....	H. D. Darbaker.
Scottdale	1	57	55	7	18	2	60 00	506 00	4500 00	.....	.....	H. S. Garner.
Clear Ridge	3	102	90	15	20	4	46 00	.....	1700 00	263 00	.....	D. G. Klein.
Lansdale	1	60	200	1	1	.....	10 00	.....	5500 00	1800 00	.....	J. J. Rothrock.
Sharon	1	154	80	10	34	26	41 00	512 00	3000 00	.....	.....	E. E. Gruenstein.
Maryland.—Baltimore	1	41	90	3	42	1	22 00	368 00	5000 00	.....	.....	E. R. Deatrick.
Ridgely	3	85	40	8	16	6	37 00	150 00	3000 00	.....	.....	C. W. Levan.
Delaware.—Wyoming	1	108	89	9	10	2	23 00	204 00	5000 00	1700 00	.....	S. F. Laury.
Wilmington	1	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	C. W. Levan.
Virginia.—Winchester	3	138	125	8	27	6	42 00	390 00	5000 00	.....	.....	S. L. Whitmore.
Middlebrook—No report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Vacant.
Mt. Jackson	3	145	50	5	13	3	37 50	400 00	6500 00	300 00	100 00	G. A. Whitmore.
Harrisville	1	150	80	8	3	6	67 00	335 00	1500 00	67 00	.....	E. Welty, M. D.
Mint Spring—No report	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Vacant.
Timberville	2	141	65	8	15	1	30 00	280 00	3000 00	100 00	.....	C. W. Summey.
District of Columbia.—Washington	1	90	56	12	26	.....	80 00	400 00	18,000 00	.....	.....	C. F. Sontag.
North Carolina.—Concord	1	25	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	J. H. Cecil.
Lincolnton	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	J. O. Foil.
Newton	3	180	80	10	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	J. C. Clapp.
Blowing Rock	1	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	J. Ingle.
New York.—New York	1	225	250	162	17	.....	150 00	700 00	5000 00	.....	.....	F. Fox.
Kansas.—Emporia	1	26	30	2	3	.....	37 00	96 00	3500 00	.....	.....	D. B. Shuey.
Wichita	2	55	115	2	23	.....	5 00	1285 00	2500 00	.....	.....	I. G. Brown, dec'd.
Iola	2	40	30	4	9	3	4 00	385 00	250 00	.....	.....	S. A. Alt.
Abilene	2	70	75	10	18	9	9 00	239 00	500 00	.....	.....	T. F. Stauffer.
Nebraska.—Lincoln	2	38	50	4	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	E. Erb.
California.—San Francisco	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8000 00	.....	.....	L. D. Leberman.
Stockton	1	70	57	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3000 00	.....	.....	D. D. Leberman.
Napa	1	64	40	18	5	.....	.....	395 00	2000 00	.....	.....	G.W.Mechtersheimer.
Oregon.—Portland	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	R. Schiedt.
Salem	2	38	40	10	9	.....	47 00	250 00	4500 00	700 00	50 00	J. Muellhaupt.
West Union	1	32	5	12	2	.....	.....	69 00	400 00	.....	.....	H. Stauss.
Stafford	3	80	45	15	30	12	20 00	300 00	2000 00	.....	.....	J. Lange.
Washington Territory.—Seattle	1	37	50	12	15	12	20 00	295 00	2500 00	440 00	300 00	Gotfried Graedel.
Iowa.—Liscomb	2	41	109	3	11	.....	88 00	305 00	2100 00	.....	.....	H. Bair.
Pleasant Valley	1	40	30	3	7	.....	50 00	115 00	1500 00	.....	.....	D. P. Lefever.
Wilton	1	38	50	5	23	22	60 00	1025 00	.....	.....	.....	S. R. Runkle.
South America.—Valparaiso. Chili	1	25	30	3	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	A. Kreuter.
Missions: 64	102	5323	5162	606	755	251	$2014 00	$24,935 00	$227,870 00	$20,162 00	$3077 00	Total.....58

ORPHAN HOMES OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

NAME.	LOCATION.	SUPERINTENDENT.	NUMBER OF ORPHANS.
Bethany	Womelsdorf, Berks County, Pa.	Rev. D. B. Albright	70
St. Paul's	Butler, Butler County, Pa.	Rev. P. C. Prugh	45
Reformed	Fort Wayne, Ind.	Rev. J. Rettig	30

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FOURTH CLASS MATTER.—Printed envelopes in quantity, blank bills, letter heads, blank cards, flexible patterns, plain envelopes and letter paper, sample cards, merchandise, models, sample ores, metals, minerals, seeds, cuttings, bulbs, roots, not exceeding 4 pounds in weight, 1 cent each ounce or fraction of ounce.

Patterns and samples to Canada, 10 cents prepaid for each 8 ounces or fraction.

First, third and fourth class matter may be registered at 10 cents each package in addition to regular postage.

All matter not prepaid at letter rates must be so wrapped that it can be examined without destroying the wrapper, and can name contents, from whom and address, and nothing more. A business card may be printed, impressed, or pasted on the wrappers. Liquids, poisons, explosives and other dangerous matters are excluded.

MONEY ORDERS.

No fraction of a cent allowed in any money order.

Postal notes from one cent to $5, three cents.

Rates on Money Orders in United States—Not exceeding $10, eight cents; over $15 to $30, ten cents; over $30 to $40, fifteen cents; over $40 to $50, twenty cents.

Money Orders to Great Britain or Ireland—Not exceeding $10, twenty-five cents; over $10 to $20, fifty cents; over $20 to $30, seventy cents; over $30 to $40, eighty-five cents; over $40 to $50, one dollar.

Money orders to German Empire, France, Italy, Canada, and Algeria—Not exceeding $10, fifteen cents; over $10 to $20, thirty cents; over $20 to $30, forty-five cents; over $30 to $40, sixty cents; over $40 to $50, seventy-five cents.

Money Orders to Switzerland—Not exceeding $10, twenty-five cents; over $10 to $20, fifty cents; over $20 to $30, seventy-five cents; over $30 to $40, one dollar; over $40 to $50, one dollar and twenty-five cents.

A CONSTITUTION

For Auxiliary Missionary Societies.

NAME.

ART. 1. This Society shall be known as the Missionary Society of the Reformed Church and Sunday-school at ————————, auxiliary to the Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

OBJECT.

ART. 2. The object of this Society shall be to awaken interest in the cause of Missions; to diffuse missionary intelligence, and to secure regular weekly contributions, for the support of missions in the Reformed Church.

OFFICERS.

ART. 3. The officers shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be elected for the period of one year, and may be re-elected at the option of the Society.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

ART. 4. The President, or in his absence the Vice-President, shall preside at all meetings, and attend to such duties as do not interfere with the relations of the Pastor as President *ex-officio* and as hereafter defined.

ART. 5. The Secretary shall keep a correct record of the transactions of the Society, and a roll of the membership.

ART. 6. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep an account of all monies received and disbursed, to pay out all monies as directed by the Secretary, and to make a report to the Society at the end of the year.

MEMBERSHIP.

ART. 7. The members of the Society shall consist of Sunday-school scholars and teachers, members of the Church, and friends, who shall contribute at least one cent per week; and each member shall be furnished with a certificate of membership, provided by the Board of Missions, with the name of its officers attached and the seal of the Board.

MEETINGS.

ART 8. There shall be monthly meetings of this Society either after divine services on Sunday, or at such other times as may be fixed on by resolution of the Society. These meetings in connection with the transaction of business claiming attention, may be social or devotional as may seem best calculated to promote the object of the Society. At the end of the year a missionary festival shall be held, at which, among other things, the Treasurer's report shall be made, an annual report of the progress and success of the Society shall be read by the President, missionary addresses delivered, and such other exercises observed as will tend to promote the cause of missions in the congregations.

FUNDS.

ART. 9. The funds of the Society shall be paid over to the Treasurer of the Board of Missions, established by the three Synods of the Reformed Church, the Synod of the United States, the Pittsburgh Synod, and the Synod of the Potomac.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

ART. 10. A Standing Committee, of which the officers of the Society shall be members, shall consist of ten persons, who shall be elected annually by the Society. It shall be the duty of this Committee to interest the Society in the work of missions, to secure the names of new members, and to carry out any instructions which may be given by the Society.

THE DUTIES OF THE PASTOR.

ART. 11. The pastor shall be President *ex-officio*, preside at the meetings of the Society whenever he shall deem it necessary; conduct all religious services, and in his absence appoint some one for that purpose, assist the members by his counsel, and endeavor to secure the co-operation of the members of the congregation.

BY-LAWS.

ART. 12. By-Laws can be adopted by this Society to meet any wants which have not herein been provided for.

PRINCIPAL EVENTS IN THE CHURCH

From September 1st, 1884, to August 31st, 1885.

1884.

Sept. 11—Annual Meeting of the Eastern German Synod at Pittsburgh, Pa.

" 14—Laying of corner-stone of St. Paul's Church, Hamlin, Lebanon Co., Pa., Rev. H. J. Welker, Pastor.

" " Death of Rev. John Charles Henneman in Glade, O.

" 17—Annual Meeting of the Pittsburgh Synod, at Mt. Pleasant, Pa.

" 18—Laying of corner-stone of a new Church, near Millerstown, Blair Co., Pa., Rev. W. A. Long, Pastor.

Oct. 1—Annual Meeting of the Central Synod, Crestline, O.

" 5—Laying of the corner-stone of Grace Church, Kearneysville, W. Va., Rev. B. F. Bausmann, Pastor.

" " First Anniversary of the Reformed Orphans' Home, Fort Wayne, Ind.

" 7—Dedication of the Reformed Orphans' Home, Fort Wayne, Ind., Rev. J. Rettig, Hausvater.

" 8—Annual Meeting of Synod of the United States, Pottstown, Pa.

" " Annual Meeting of the Synod of Ohio, Delaware, O.

" 15—Annual Meeting of Synod of the Potomac, Hanover, Pa.

Nov. 16—Dedication of Zion's Church, at Stroudsburg, Pa., Rev. G. W. Kerschner, Pastor.

" 23—Dedication of Church, Port Hope, Mich., Rev. E. Delorme, Pastor.

" 27—Dedication of Salem's Reformed Church, Beavertown, Blair Co., Pa., Rev. J. David Miller, Pastor.

Dec. 7—Death of William D. Gross, Treasurer of General Synod, and of Bethany Orphans' Home, West Philadelphia, Pa.

" 14—Dedication of Church at Elk Rapids, Mich., Rev. L. Brugger, Pastor.

" 21—Re-dedication of Church at Mifflinburg, Pa., Rev. A. C. Whitmer, Pastor.

1885.

Jan. 15—"The Heidelberg Catechism in English, and the Japanese Colloquial," by Rev. Ambrose D. Gring, one of our Missionaries to Japan, offered for sale in this country.

" " Dedication of St. Paul's Reformed Church, Chester Co., Pa., Rev. E. D. Wettach, Pastor.

" 25—Dedication of First Reformed Church, Tamaqua, Pa., Rev. I. E. Graeff, Pastor.

" " Death of Rev. H. King, Baltimore, O.

Feb. 2—Opening of Edgehill Family School, Littlestown, Pa., Rev. W. E. Krebs, Principal.

" 4—Organization of Schuylkill Classis, Pottsville, Pa.

March 8—Dedication of Church, Yellow Creek, Bedford Co., Pa., Rev. I. N. Peightal, Pastor.

" " Proposition made by Rev. J. A. Hoffheins, Martinsburg, W. Va., through *The Messenger*, that the Missionary Society of his congregation will be one of 100 societies, congregations or Sunday-schools, to give $50 each, towards obtaining a school-building in Japan. The subscriptions to be paid to the Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions, by September 1st, 1885.

" 12—Death of Rev. J. G. Fritchey, Lancaster, Pa.

" 15—Dedication of Shenkle's Church, Chester Co., Pa., Rev. G. S. Sorber, Pastor.

" 29—Dedication of Mt. Pleasant Reformed Church, Henrietta, Pa., Rev. W. A. Long, Pastor.

April 2—Dedication of Church, Spring City, Pa., Rev. D. W. Ebbert, Pastor.

" 6—Death of Rev. A. Henry, Canal Winchester, O.

" 12—Death of Rev. J. Eichin, Olney, Ill.

" 19—Laying corner-stone of a new church, Woodberry, Md., Rev. E. R. Deatrick, Pastor.

" 22—Laying corner-stone of the new Heidelberg College-building, Tiffin, O.

May 7—Anniversary of Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Pa. Eight graduates.

" " Death of Rev. I. G. Brown, Wichita, Kan.

" 9—Death of Rev. D. Winters, D. D., Dayton, O.

" 24—Laying corner-stone of Reformed Church (German), Buffalo, N. Y., Rev. J. F. H. Dieckmann, Pastor.

PRINCIPAL EVENTS—Continued.

1885.

May 25—Laying of corner-stone, St. Stephen's Reformed Church, Perkasie, Pa., Rev. J. G. Dengler, Pastor.

" 29—Death of Rev. J. Ruhl, M. D., Frostburg, Md.

" 31—Laying corner-stone of the chapel of the Reformed Church of the Strangers, W. Phila., Rev. Geo. H. Johnston, Pastor.

June 1—Death of Rev. J. Bossard, Ph. D., President of Mission House, Sheboygan, Wis.

" 7—Dedication of Reformed Church, Buckeystown, Md., Rev. A. J. Heller, Pastor. . . . Dedication of St. John's Church, Williamsport, Pa., Rev. D. H. Leader, Pastor.

" 14—Laying of corner-stone of a new church, at Pinehall, Centre Co., Pa., Rev. W. H. Groh, Pastor.

" 15—Issue of Historic Manual of the Reformed Church in the United States, by Rev. Jos. H. Dubbs, D. D., Lancaster, Pa.

" 16—Donation of $10,000 to F. and M. College, by Chas. Santee, Esq., Phila., Pa.

" 17—Laying corner-stone of Reformed Church, Meyersdale, Pa., Rev. J. M. Schick, Pastor.

" 18—Annual Commencement of F. and M. College, Lancaster, Pa., Rev. T. G. Apple, President. Twenty-four graduates. . . . Annual Commencement of Mercersburg College, Rev. G. W. Aughinbaugh, President.

" 23—Closing Exercises of Clarion Collegiate Institute, Rimersburg, Pa., Rev. W. W. Deatrick, Principal.

" 24—Annual Commencement of Greensburg Seminary, Rev. L. Cort, Principal.

" 25—Annual Commencement of Heidelberg College, Tiffin, O., Rev. G. W. Williard, D. D., President. Four graduates. . . . Annual Commencement of Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa., Rev. J. H. A. Bomberger, D. D., President. Eight graduates. . . . Annual Commencement of Palatinate College, Myerstown, Pa., Rev. W. C. Schaeffer.

" 26—Annual Commencement of Allentown Female Seminary, Rev. W. M. Reily, Ph. D., President. Eight graduates.

July 12—Dedication of Trinity Church, Woodberry, Balto. Co., Md., Rev. E. R. Deatrick, Pastor.

" 18—Laying corner-stone of Zion's Church, Greenville, Pa., Rev. S. H. Eisenberg, Pastor.

" " Laying corner-stone of a new church, Manor Station, Pa., Rev. H. F. Keener, Pastor.

" 19—Dedication of Grace Church, Kearneysville, W. Va., Rev. B. F. Bausmann, Pastor.

PRINCIPAL EVENTS—Continued.

1885.

July 19—Laying corner-stone of St. Mark's Mission Chapel, Lebanon, Pa., Rev. F. W. Kremer, D. D., Pastor.

" 23—Anniversary of Bethany Orphans' Home, Womelsdorf, Pa., Rev. D. B. Albright, Superintendent.

" 26—Laying corner-stone of Emmanuel's Church, Buffalo, Perry Co., Pa., Rev. F. S. Lindaman, Pastor.

FORM FOR BEQUESTS.

In making a bequest to one or more benevolent objects, it is important that a proper form be used; otherwise the intent of the testator may be defeated. Hence we suggest the following:

"I give and bequeath to the 'Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States,' located at Lancaster, Pa., the sum of———dollars; to 'Franklin and Marshall College,' located at Lancaster, Pa., the sum of———dollars; to the 'Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States,' of which Elder W. H. Seibert, of Harrisburg, Pa., is at present Treasurer, the sum of———dollars; to the 'Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States,' the sum of———dollars; to the 'Board of Education of the Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States,' of which Rev. Charles G. Fisher is at present Treasurer, the sum of———dollars; to the 'Board of Education of the Synod of the Potomac,' of which Rev. Wm. M. Deatrick is at present Treasurer, the sum of———dollars; to the 'Board of Beneficiary Education of the Pittsburgh Synod,' of which Rev. Cyrus R. Dieffenbacher is at present Treasurer, the sum of———dollars; to the 'Publication Board of the Reformed Church in the United States,' located in Philadelphia, Pa., the sum of———dollars; to the 'Society for the relief of Ministers and their Widows of the Reformed Church in the United States,' the sum of——— dollars; to 'Bethany Orphans' Home,' located at Womelsdorf, Pa., the sum of———dollars, and to 'St. Paul's Orphans' Home,' located at Butler, Pa., the sum of———dollars; the several sums thus bequeathed to be used by the respective associations for the general purposes of their organization."

PREMIUM TRACTS Nos. 1, 2 and 3.

Circulate them! Send for a supply of each. Pastors would do well, as also pious Laymen, to have a good supply of them in their pockets to hand them out as they go about their daily duties.

MEETING OF THE CLASSES

OF THE SYNOD IN THE UNITED STATES, THE SYNOD OF PITTSBURG, AND THE SYNOD OF THE POTOMAC.

CLASSES.	PLACE.	TIME.
East Pennsylvania	Bangor, Northampton Co., Pa.	May 21st, 1886.
Lebanon	Jonestown, Lebanon Co., Pa.	June 1st, 1886.
Philadelphia	Trinity Church, Norristown, Pa.	June 3d, 1886.
Lancaster	Marietta, Lancaster Co., Pa.	June 17th, 1886.
East Susquehanna	Conyngham, Luzerne Co., Pa.	May 26th, 1886.
West Susquehanna	Aaronsburg, Centre Co., Pa.	May 19th, 1886.
Goshenhoppen	Pennsburg, Montgomery Co., Pa.	May 28th, 1886.
Tohickon	Nockamixon, Bucks Co., Pa.	June 4th, 1886.
Westmoreland	First Church, Greensburg, Pa.	June 3d, 1886.
Clarion	St. Jacob's Church, South Bend Charge, Pa.	May 12th, 1886.
St. Paul's	New Hamburg, Mercer Co., Pa.	June 1st, 1886.
Somerset	Somerset, Somerset Co., Pa.	June 9th, 1886.
Allegheny	East End, Pittsburg, Pa.	June 10th, 1886.
Zion's	Stoverstown, York Co., Pa.	May 28th, 1886.
Maryland	Boonesboro', Washington Co., Md.	May 27th, 1886.
Mercersburg	Upton, Franklin Co., Pa.	May 13th, 1886.
Virginia	Timberville, Rockingham Co., Va.	May 13th, 1886.
North Carolina	St. Luke's Church, Rowan Co., N. C.	May 5th, 1886.
Lehigh	Slatington, Lehigh Co., Pa.	May 25th, 1886.
San Francisco	Napa City, Cal.	June 28th, 1886.
Portland—Oregon	Salem, Oregon	June 24th, 1886.
Gettysburg	Sherman's Church, York Co., Pa.	May 25th, 1886.
Carlisle	Buffalo, Perry Co., Pa.	June 3d, 1886.
Juniata	Alexandria, Hunt Co., Pa.	May 13th, 1886.
Schuylkill	First Church, Reading, Pa.	June 17th, 1886.

PERIODICALS OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

NAME.	WHERE PUBLISHED.	HOW OFTEN ISSUED	WHEN FIRST ISSUED.
ENGLISH.			
The Messenger	907 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.	Weekly	1827
Christian World	Dayton, Ohio	"	1848
The Guardian	907 Arch Street, Philadelphia, Pa.	Monthly	1850
Scholar's Quarterly	" " " "	Quarterly	1882
The Sunday School Treasury	" " " "	Semi-Monthly	1859
Sunshine	" " " "	Weekly	1879
The Sunday School Missionary	" " " "	Monthly	1884
Reformed Quarterly Review	" " " "	Quarterly	1849
The Instructor	Dayton, Ohio	Monthly	1873
Leaves of Light	" "	Semi-Monthly	1873
Golden Words	" "	"	1883
Little Pearls	" "	Weekly	1883
Orphan's Friend	Butler, Butler Co., Pa.	Monthly	1877
Missionary Sentinel and Herald	Lancaster, Pa.	"	1880
College Student	" "	"	1880
Heidelberg Monthly Journal	Tiffin, Ohio	"	1880
The Interior Monthly	Dayton, O.	"	1885
GERMAN.			
Kirchenzeitung and Evangelist	Cleveland, Ohio	Weekly	1838
Reformirte Hausfreund	Reading, Pa.	Every other week	1866
Der Lammerhirte	Cleveland, Ohio	Monthly	1859
Der Missionar	Sheboygan, Wis.	"	1880
Die Abendlust	Cleveland, Ohio	"	1876
Der Kinderfreund	San Francisco, Cal.	"	1882

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

SYNODS.	Classes.	Ministers.	Congregations.	Members.	Unconfirmed Members.	Baptisms.		Additions.		Communed.	Dismissed.	Excommunic'd.	Erased.	Deaths.	Sunday Schools.	Sunday School Scholars.	Students for the Ministry.	Contributions.	
						Infants.	Adults.	Confirmed.	Certificate.									Benevolent Purposes.	Congreg'l Purposes.
Synod of U. S.	9	206	450	71,871	43,031	5,595	401	4,108	1,368	59,083	700	6	318	2,305	532	45,713	47	$45,705	$282,916
Synod of Ohio, ...	10	145	283	18,901	6,862	771	339	991	627	15,963	419	12	276	311	211	17,181	20	10,783	80,141
Ger. Synod, N. West,	9	113	157	13,672	10,877	1,228	19	857	979	10,743	14.	13	260	292	134	8,069	35	12,617	60,865
Synod of Pittsburgh,	5	57	130	12.674	8,665	839	48	667	464	10,723	272		167	245	100	7,907	13	11,076	54,383
Synod of the Potomac,	10	140	287	29,084	19,067	1,946	268	1,422	866	24,265	518	1	161	660	238	18,191	23	29,969	143,554
Ger. Sy'd of the East,	5	45	41	10,831	6,755	1,929	22	772	719	8,368	42	1	154	441	43	7,503	6	6,978	59,335
Central Synod, . . .	4	74	119	15,916	10,896	1,219	38	929	535	12,509	223	26	210	391	103	9,440	20	10,156	66,530
Total: 7 Dis't Synods,	52	780	1,467	172,949	106,093	13,527	1.135	9.746	5,558	141,654	2,315	59	1,546	4,645	1,361	114,004	164	$127,284	$747,724

LITERARY AND THEOLOGICAL INSTITUTIONS OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

NAME.	LOCATION.	PRESIDENT.
Franklin and Marshall College	Lancaster, Pa.	T. G. APPLE, D. D.
Heidelberg College	Tiffin, Ohio	GEO. W. WILLIARD, D. D.
Catawba College	Newton, N. C.	J. C. CLAPP, D. D.
Mercersburg College	Mercersburg, Pa.	G. W. AUGHINBAUGH, D. D.
Clarion Collegiate Institute	Rimersburg, Clarion Co., Pa.	REV. W. W. DEATRICK, A. M.
Palatinate College	Myerstown, Lebanon Co., Pa.	REV. W. C. SCHAEFFER, A. M.
Juniata Collegiate Institute	Martinsburg, Blair Co., Pa.	P. H. BRIDENBAUGH, A. B.
Greensburg Collegiate Institute	Greensburg, Pa.	REV. LUCIAN CORT, A. M.
Ursinus College	Collegeville, Montgomery Co., Pa.	J. H. A. BOMBERGER, D. D.
Calvin Institute	Cleveland, Ohio	REV. A. ACCOLA.
Eastern Theological Seminary	Lancaster, Pa.	E. V. GERHART, D. D.
Western Theological Seminary	Tiffin, Ohio	J. H. GOOD, D. D.
Mission House	Howard's Grove, Wisconsin	. . . . .
Allentown Female College	Allentown, Pa.	W. M. REILY, PH. D.
College of Northern Illinois	Dakota, Ills.	REV. F. WETZEL, A. M.
Pleasantville Collegiate Institute	Pleasantville, Ohio	. . . . .
International Academy	Portland, Oregon	J. GANTENBEIN, D. D.
Claremont Female College	Hickory, N. C.	Mrs. C. V. B. BONNEY.
Edgehill Family School	Littlestown, Pa.	W. E. KREBS, A. M.

AGED MINISTERS IN OUR CHURCH.

"Thou shalt rise up before the hoary head, and honor the face of the old man."—Lev. 19: 32.

All of the following Ministers are still living, and have been ordained over fifty years:

NAME.	ORDAINED.	ADDRESS.
REV. JOHN GRING	1825	Fredericksburg, Lebanon County, Pa.
REV. DAVID KEMMERER, D. D.	1827	Wooster, Ohio.
REV. JOHN C. BUCHER, D. D.	1828	Lewisburg, Union County, Pa.
REV. JOHN W. NEVIN, D. D.	1829	Lancaster, Pa.
REV. C. W. SCHULTZ	1830	Camden, N. J.
REV. G. W. GLESSNER, D. D.	1832	Shippensburg, Pa.
REV. R. DUENGER, D. D.	1834	Ashland, Pa.
REV. P. HERBURCK, D. D.	1834	Canton, Ohio.
REV. J. C. HENSEL	1835	Mount Crawford, Va.

WHERE TO SEND CHURCH MONEY.

OBJECT.	IN WHAT SYNOD.	TREASURER.	ADDRESS.
Foreign Missions,	General Synod,	Hon. R. F. Kelker,	Harrisburg, Pa.
Home Missions,	" "	Charles Santee,	532 N. Sixth St. Phila., Pa.
" "	Joint Synods, East'n, Pittsburgh and Potomac.	W. H. Seibert,	Harrisburg, Pa.
" "	German Synod of the East,	N Wetzel,	548 E. York St., Phila., Pa.
" "	Ohio Synod,	Rev. J. J. Leberman,	Louisville, Ohio.
" "	Synod of the Northwest,	Rev. M. G. I. Stern,	30 Park av., Indianapolis, I.
Beneficiary Education,	Eastern Synod,	Rev. Chas. G. Fisher,	907 Arch St., Phila , Pa.
" "	Ohio Synod,	Rev. L. H. Kefauver, D.D.	Tiffin, Ohio.
" "	Pittsburgh Synod,	T. J. Craig,	Pittsburgh, Pa.
" "	Potomac Synod,	Rev. Wm. M. Deatrick,	Mercersburg, Pa.
Society for Relief of Ministers,	General Synod,	Rev. Theo. Appel, D.D.,	Lancaster, Pa.
Eastern Theological Seminary,	Eastern Synod,	John B. Roth,	Lancaster, Pa.
Western " "	Ohio Synod,	Rev. I. H. Reiter, D.D.,	Miamisburg, Ohio.
Franklin and Marshall College,	Eastern Synod,	Jacob Bausman,	Lancaster, Pa.
Heidelberg College,	Ohio Synod,	Hon. N. L. Brewer,	Tiffin, Ohio.
Mercersburg College,	Potomac Synod,	E. J. Bonbrake, Esq.,	Chambersburg, Pa.
Ursinus College,	Eastern Synod,	Frank M. Hobson,	Freeland, Pa.
Sheboygan Mission Home,	Synod of the Northwest,	Rev. J. T. Kluge,	Sheboygan, Wis.
Bethany Orphan Home,	Eastern Synod,	C. G. Gross,	3716 Haverford St., Phila.
St. Paul's Orphan Home,	Pittsburgh Synod,	B. Wolf, Jr.,	304 Wood St., Pittsburg, Pa.
Missions among the Indians,	Synod of the Northwest,	Rev. Ludwig Zenk,	Kiel, Manitowoc Co., Wis.
Calvin Institute,	" " "	Rev. R. Wiers,	19 Louis St., Cleveland, O.
Reformed Orphan Home,	" " "	Rev. C. F. Kriete,	Fort Wayne, Ind.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

BEING A TRIENNIAL EXHIBIT FOR THE LAST TWENTY-ONE YEARS.

	1863	1866	1869	1872	1875	1878	1881	1884
Synods,	2	2	3	4	6	6	6	7
Classes,	26	29	31	35	44	45	48	52
Ministers,	447	485	526	586	631	710	762	783
Congregations,	1,099	1,144	1,179	1,312	1,342	1,369	1,403	1,465
Members,	98,775	109,925	117,910	130,299	142,872	147,788	161,002	169,530
Members Unconfirmed,	56,301	69,765	68,362	73,288	87,120	90,993	96,147	103,112
Baptisms, given year,	11,739	11,175	12,776	12,487	13,500	13,203	14,309	13,682
Baptisms, in 3 years,	35,446	33,638	36,117	38,605	41,272	40,943	43,750	41,825
Confirmed, given year,	5,552	6,845	7,068	7,462	8,766	8,456	9,113	9,233
Confirmed, in 3 years,	17,616	16,756	20,183	23,247	25,233	26,753	28,240	27,223
Certificate, given year,	1,360	2,421	3,592	3,369	3,733	3,716	4,113	5,043
Certificate, in 3 years,	4,406	6,205	8,779	9,889	10,912	11,184	12,263	14,046
Communed,	87,871	91,547	96,728	109,507	116,000	120,681	132,709	136,897
Dismissed, given year,	552	1,244	1,637	1,454	1,725	1,566	2,249	2,122
Dismissed, in 3 years,	1,674	2,975	4,459	4,762	5,000	5,185	5,791	5,819
Excommunicated or Erased, given year,	119	196	144	318	387	174	1,626	1,767
Excommunicated or Erased, in 3 years,	428	500	528	722	920	1,711	4,436	5,578
Deaths, given year,	4,679	4,207	3,773	4,425	4,494	4,887	4,591	4,787
Deaths, in 3 years,	12,725	13,486	11,186	12,594	12,000	14,102	14,492	15,292
Sunday-Schools,	894	939	1,020	1,021	1,220	1,237	1,346	1,378
Sunday-School Scholars,	22,404	34,000	49,000	63,038	75,868	89,982	103,511	114,720
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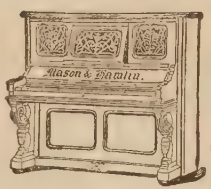

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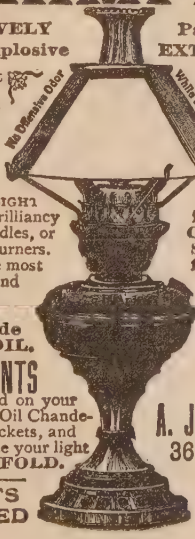

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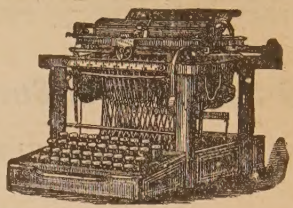

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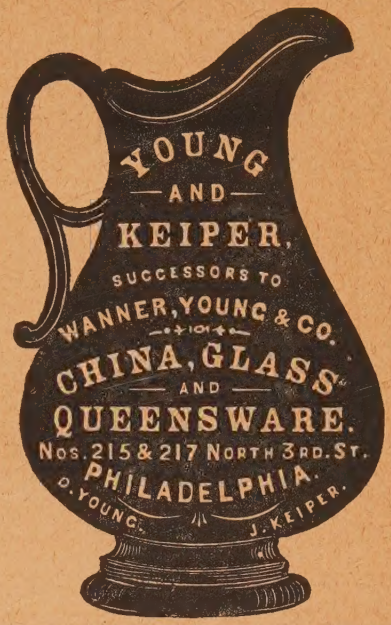

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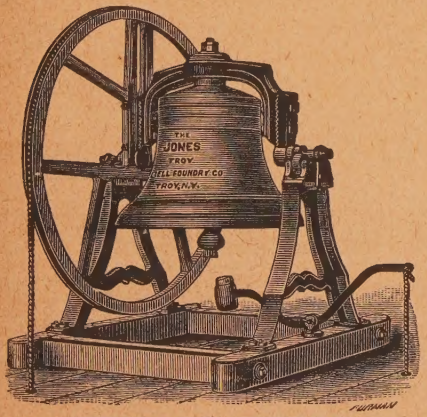

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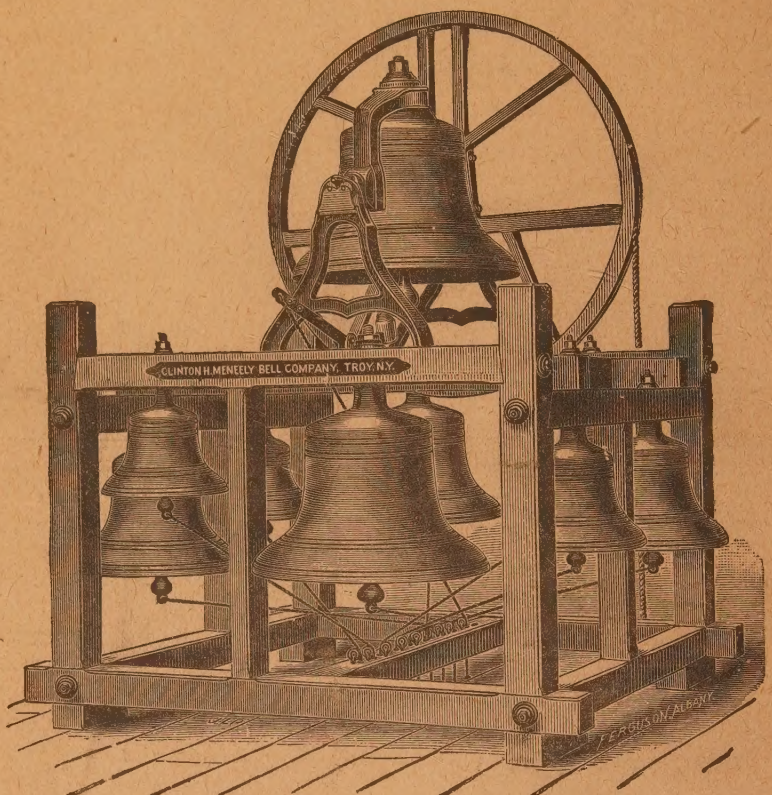

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